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# The Editor's Page

## Honest Advertising

On numerous occasions in the past we have had cause in this column to criticize the manufacturers of hearing aids for their seemingly unscrupulous advertising tactics, which were apparently designed to sell hearing aids without consideration of any kind for the purchaser. They have confused the deaf, who can have no use for hearing aids, with the hard of hearing, some of whom can derive great benefit from the use of a hearing aid. They have subjected parents of deaf children to high-pressure sales arguments without examining the children to find if they could use the hearing aids.

The N.A.D. started its effort more than a year ago to have hearing aid advertising cleaned up and the result has been generally good. Most manufacturers of hearing aids now make it clear in their advertising that their product is for the hard of hearing. Literature distributed recently by the Zenith Radio Corporation advertising Zenith Hearing aids deserves special commendation. In a boxed note prominently displayed on the advertising folder is this warning:

"Don't go to a hearing aid salesman for advice on your ear maladies. Go to your physician! Don't take chances with your ears—they are far too precious. Your physician will tell you if you need a hearing aid. . . ."

The Zenith Corporation, never a flagrant offender, engaged in some lengthy correspondence with the NAD some time ago and showed considerable interest in the terminology which distinguishes between the deaf and the hard of hearing. Its officials held a meeting of its sales and advertising force to discuss the subject, and the advice quoted probably resulted from the meeting.

## AAAD Hall of Fame

Sportsminded readers and many others among the deaf will applaud the nomination of Luther H. ("Dummy") Taylor to the AAAD Hall of Fame, announcement of which appears in this issue. Taylor and his predecessor, William Hoy, who was honored a year or so ago by the AAAD as the first to be named to the Hall of Fame, are our only athletes who have made the grade in major league baseball and remained there long enough to establish themselves as of unquestioned major league caliber. Both ranked along with the great stars of their time.

There are a number of deaf athletes

deserving of a place in the AAAD Hall of Fame, and many of them were considered, but the AAAD committee acted properly in first naming the two men who went the farthest and acquired the most fame. The others will find themselves in due time enshrined in the Hall along with Hoy and Taylor.

The AAAD Hall of Fame is the means by which the American Athletic Association of the Deaf honors outstanding deaf athletes. Many of them, but for their deafness, possessed the athletic skill which could have placed them among the great stars of the sports world. Being deaf, they did not perform on the great college teams, so they are not found among the All-Americans. It is fitting that the AAAD honors these athletes in a Hall of Fame of its own. It is one way by which the deaf world can show its appreciation of the efforts of its athletes, and it serves as an inspiration to our young boys who will be the sports stars of the next generation.

## Help from Clubs

The report on the N.A.D. pages this month mentions a sum received from the Jacksonville, Florida, Association of the Deaf, which is the club for the deaf of Jacksonville. The club has increased its membership dues from 50 cents to 60 cents and the extra ten cents is divided between the Florida Association of the Deaf and the N.A.D.

An official of the Jacksonville Association writes that two other clubs are expected to adopt a similar policy, and suggests that clubs elsewhere do likewise.

The deaf of Jacksonville are to be congratulated on their helpful spirit and it is hoped that clubs elsewhere will follow suit. The only regular income the N.A.D. receives is from affiliation dues of ten dollars per year mostly from state associations, and from individual members. It depends for the balance of its necessary funds from contributions and benefit affairs. We see no reason why local clubs could not help the N.A.D., either by affiliating or by contributing as the Jacksonville club has done. With such cooperation from all the clubs, the N.A.D. would be in better position to prepare an annual budget based on an income it could foresee with some certainty.

## Thanks

The editors of THE SILENT WORKER take this means of expressing their thanks for the many Christmas cards received from countless readers and

friends of the magazine. They came not only from all parts of the United States, but also from far-distant places all over the world, and reading them and seeing from whom and where they came added to the joys of the Holiday Season. Unable to acknowledge them all, we hope the senders will accept this expression of our appreciation, and we wish for all a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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# Hobby... HANDS

By the Hand of Edna H. Baynes

WHEN THE POSTMAN handed me a letter, I recognized the handwriting as Leo Jacobs'.

You gotta hand it to that gentleman; he's smart! — makes people work.

He requested that I take my pen in hand and hand in an article on my hobby which is hands.

I wrung my hands! I'm a teacher and not a writer. Then I folded my hands and decided I just couldn't do it, but being Irish I put my hands to the task. Now I hand in the result.

Some years ago my handsome husband found it handy to supplement his school salary during the summer by working (with his hands) on a linotype at the Delmarva News in Selbyville, Delaware. Thus I found myself with time on my hands.

Knowing full well that idle hands find mischief to do, I sought to keep my own occupied.

One day my landlady handed me several magazines that had obviously passed from hand to hand. In one of them I read that people with time on their hands should have a hobby — one that would furnish interest and enjoyment.

So a hobby I must have; but what kind of hobby?

That very evening, while strolling on Ocean City, Maryland's boardwalk, I chanced to see a beautiful vase that held my interest. It was shaped as a hand holding a cornice. It was made of a lovely deep purple glass.

Before I could express a desire to own it, my good husband, who is quick to gratify my whims, had already put a hand into his pocket and handed over the money for it.

Back in our apartment I placed my vase on a dresser and stood admiring it. I thought of the many ways hands are

used; how important a part they play in the lives of deaf folks especially. It is with our hands we "talk," "sing," teach, work.

A man asks for a woman's hand in marriage.

A father gives his daughter's hand in marriage. The groom places a ring upon the third finger of the left hand.

We greet our friends with handshakes. How revealing the handshakes can be! With a hand we say hello and wave a goodbye. I could, but won't go on forever about how we use our hands.

Since I became the proud owner of that hand-shaped vase, I've collected hands. Among my collection can be found other vases, candleholders, several compacts, pins, ear bobs, a barrette, ash trays, candy dishes, and an antique watch fob with a pear hand on it. In the Ozarks a mountaineer carved a hand holding a twig. I have it. In fact I have too many hands to describe.

A prized possession in my collection is a book, *Heaven in My Hand* by Alice Lee Humphreys. It was written by a teacher who realized what happiness she held in her hands while working with children. It is an amazing revelation, beautifully told. (To my fellow teachers: Please read the book.)

When my daughter Connie entered the University of Alabama as a freshman, she was rushed by various sororities there. Finally she pledged Alpha Delta Pi because she thought the members were the most congenial group. Afterwards she was amazed to learn that the insignia on her pin was clasped hands!

I have an album of hands—friends' hands, traced by themselves with comments on them or underneath them.

Jimmy Meagher's traced hand shows



Edna H. Baynes, whose hobby is HANDS.

a crooked middle finger (broken by a linotype elevator). His comment reads: "The paw that poked world champions Johnnie Coulon, Bat. Nelson, Kid Cutler, etc."

On the next page I have a tracing of Mrs. Jimmy's square practical hand. She captions the page, "Frau Frieda's Fryproof Fingers" and writes, "Shake the hand that shook the hand of Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, Teddy Roosevelt, F.B.I.'s Cowley, Jane Addams of Hull House and Edna Baynes." Can't you just see me, hands spread out from my armpits? (to show pride).

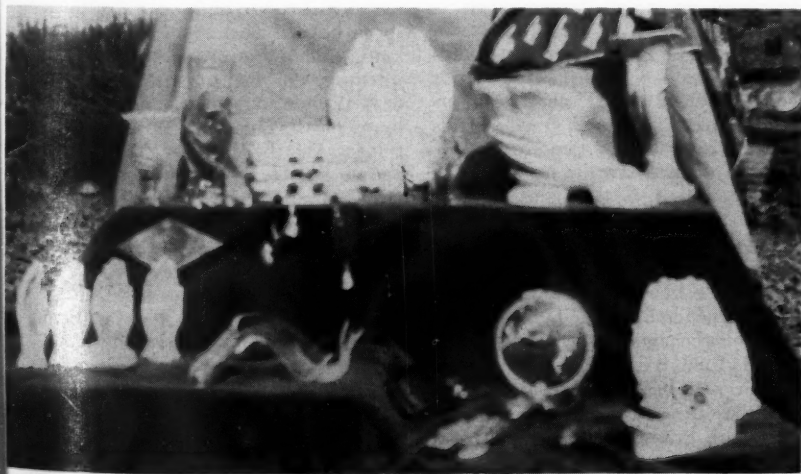
Another page, of which I am inordinately proud, is one with three hands traced on it. One is large, another is tiny, and the other is feminine and small. They are signed F. A. Caligiuri, Diane, and Doris. Read the comment underneath: "These hands on May 18, 1938 were united in Holy Matrimony in the Gary Avenue home of the owner of this book. (The day was a scorcher and the palms were damp!) The owner of the little hand in between is the result of this union."

Another loved page has a tracing of the two gnarled hands of Leola, our Negro servant many years ago. She writes: "My two hands served Mr. and Mrs. Baynes and Baby Connie with love for seven years. I still love them."

The two traced hands of Ethel Mason Giett, a dearly loved friend, record the fact hers were the hands that were by my side on the great occasion when the knot was tied. (She interpreted at my wedding.)

Miss Alice Teegarden not only traced her lovely capable hand for me, but she painstakingly drew small hands to spell out in the manual alphabet T-E-E-S.

A display showing part of the author's collection of hands. On the cover of this issue are the hands of Patricia, Lloyd Gail, Jr., and Lloyd Gail Stout III.



Miss Eugenia Thornton, Gallaudet Normal '05, and my principal at one time as well as my beloved friend, graciously offers her traced *hand* in my book with this message: "Here's my *hand* with my heart in't."

Mary Klaitz Zimble (always original) traced her *hand* with the palm up so I might read the lines. I turn palmist and read thusly, "Loyal friend, vivacious, gentle lady, talented, witty, and gifted, a most refreshing person."

The largest *hand* in my book belongs to Olaf Tollefson. He nonsenses:

"These fingers hold my cigarette,  
They wipe my nose when it is wet,  
They hold the pen that writes this poem,  
They drive my little V-8 home.  
They shift the gears, they blow the horn,  
They hold the toast I eat each morn.  
They switch the light bulbs on and off,  
And they can scorn and they can scoff.  
They zip my zipper, tie my tie,  
They hold my hankie when I cry.  
In short they mean a lot to me—  
Quite, quite a lot as you can see.

The smallest *hand* in my book is that of Sir Ronald Lawrence Baynes, my son. He was just twenty-six days old when I traced his tiny *hand*.

Again I resist the impulse to go on and on describing *hands* and quoting their owners. I have the traced *hands* of Harry, my husband, Connie, my daughter, Frances May White, Sam and Eva Rittenberg, Dr. Edwin Nies, Dr. John F. Bryan, president of our school and his lovely wife Gladys, Dr. A. L. Roberts

## Look at Your Hands

(A tribute to hands by the Reverend Arthur C. Leisman, written as part of an address delivered at the 1948 commencement exercises at the Minnesota School for the Deaf, reprinted from the W.A.D. Pilot, December, 1948.)

What would you do without them? From the cradle to the grave they serve you tirelessly, asking no reward save that of care. For all they are subjected to—wear and tear, in heat and cold—it is a wonder that in only a few cases are they rendered useless. They are the first to develop a baby's muscles; he learns to stand up by clutching at his mother's fingers. They are the last link with this world in the final handclasp of farewell.

Over in a small chapel at Northwestern University there is a statue of two hands raised in prayer as a symbol of friendship and sacrifice. It is a reproduction of an artist's masterpiece. Two young men in France had often confided to each other their desire to study painting, but both Hans and Albrecht were poor.

It was agreed that Hans would work and earn money to support Albrecht while the latter studied. Then when Albrecht became rich and famous he would in turn aid his friend through school.

So while Albrecht went to a Venice school, Hans worked as a blacksmith. As quickly as he received his wages he would forward them to his friend.

Years later Albrecht returned, an independent master. Now it was his turn to help Hans. The two met in joyous reunion, but when Albrecht looked at his friend tears welled in his eyes. Only then did he discover the extent of Hans' sacrifice. The years of heavy labor had calloused and bruised Hans' sensitive hands. His fingers could never handle a painter's brush.

And so it was in humble gratitude that the great artist, Albrecht Durer, painted a portrait of the work-ridden hands that had labored so that he might develop his talent. It was the

will of his friend to be of help which directed his hands to strike the hot iron time and again, with a heavy hammer. So you see hands are what you make them . . .

Oh, there are hands and hands. White, yellow, black. Gnarled farmer hands and smooth debutante hands. Dirty hands, clean hands. Long-fingered and short. Baby pink and wrinkled. Eager and weary. Steady and trembling. Hands that caress lovingly or storm with rage. Hands that reach out in forgiveness or give blow for a blow . . .

Yes, there are hands that rock the cradle or rock the world with bombs. That warm the milk for a crying baby or set a fire roaring through a forest. That stretch across the seas to lift up famished bodies and hearts, or put a dent in a peace pact. Hands that make the sign of the cross or sign a paper with a cross. Hands that smooth a fevered brow or slam the winning home-run ball out of the park. Hands that leaf through a Bible in reverence, or toss a coin in scorn when charity calls. Hands that make band-aids at a Red Cross worktable so that brave hands can do braver deeds.

Oh, the world is full of hands in which each one's destiny rests. Hands that will lead one to the president's chair or to an electric chair. Flower-scented hands of love; greedy hands itching for more and more.

It all depends on the use to which hands are put. They themselves are innocent. They do not know right from wrong. They simply bow to the dictates of the person who owns them—and the kind of person who owns them depends upon the kind of training and the amount of ambition he has had . . .

How wonderful to have hands that breathe life and pantomime. Hands that sing gracefully or emphasize a

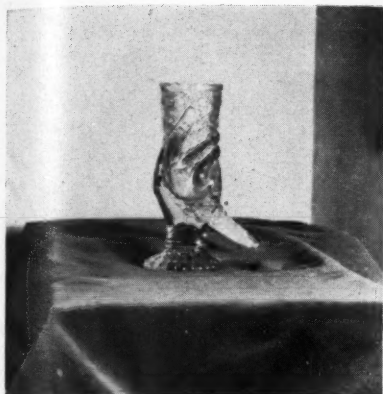


"Folded Hands", painted by Albrecht Durer, showing the hands which became twisted and stiff that he might achieve success as an artist.

point. Hands that reach for a faltering soul in a rehabilitative mood. Hands that lead a trembling tot, shorn of hearing, to the halls of learning. Hands that hold spellbound a deaf audience or bear the body of a deaf friend to its last resting place . . .

Guard well your hands, and the world will treat you kindly. Let them speak no evil. Let them be gracious, kind, humble, ever ready to serve worthily. In the presence of your deaf friends let your hands bear the lamp of wisdom, fairness and helpfulness. In the company of hearing people let them show the warmth of understanding and a desire for tolerance and mutual sharing of community responsibility. Play the game of life with clean hands always.

They may not be beautiful, those hands of yours as you look at them today. But beauty is only skin deep. What matters is that it is possible for all hands to reveal the beauty of the soul—the priceless gem of all mankind.



The original vase and hand that started Mrs. Baynes on her hobby of collecting hands.

of Fraternal fame, Jack Blindt, Olen Tate, Catherine Riser, Carrie Henderson, Marie and Edward Szopa, Ruth Horn, Mary Florence Skehan, Louise Hammett, Nannie Golden, Jesse Wood, Elizabeth Barnes, Ruth Sims, and Gail and "Pat" Stout.

Last but not least, I have a scrapbook with every conceivable picture and clipping of *hands*. One is a picture postcard of a Presbyterian Church in Port Gibson, Mississippi. The tip of its steeple is a *hand* pointing toward the sky.

In this scrapbook are the *hands* of many famous people — Franklin D. Roosevelt, Helen Keller, Toscanini, Einstein, Katherine Cornell, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Ted Williams, and others.

The year our son was born we even sent out a Christmas folder with a *hand* of each member of the family traced inside. Our Christmas message was, "You gotta *hand* it to us, we were three — now we are four. When it comes to Christmas wishes, we're equipped to *hand* out more."

I even have a framed picture of two *hands* up my wall. The tiny *hand* of a baby is placed in the *hand* of an adult. Underneath is the one word *TRUST*. The picture is so eloquent it needs only that one word.

Way back in Grandfather's time an advertisement appeared in the Brewery Gulch Gazette. A prospector advertised for a wife and specified that her *hand* must be small enough to go inside a number two size lamp chimney.

I'll stop with this poem. (Do I hear *hands* clapping?)

### Hands

*Hands* have a language all their own.  
They speak of joy and prayer and grief;  
Of toil, of faces loved and known;  
Of happiness too brief.

*Hands* keep a tale more intimate  
Than cold hard truth in white and black;  
A chronicle more accurate  
Than any almanac.



## ken's korner

By Marcus L. Kenner

"Ring out the old, ring in the new;  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;  
The year is going, let him go;  
Ring out the false, ring in the true."

While we do not hear those tinkling bells, we surely can feel their vibration. Let's enter fully into the spirit of the season. And may the New Year be fruitful of greater results and produce a larger measure of happiness and contentment to you and all.

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Call me "old fashioned" if you will; I'll cling to my conviction still — that practically the best medium for the average deaf man or woman to become restored to "normalcy", regardless of speech and lip-reading, is to keep *en rapport* with the times. This means developing a greater love for *reading* — not sports and comics — but good solid books, the classics, magazines and news editorials. These should serve to open the windows of the soul, give wings to the imagination and stimulate a wider interest, generally. The mere fact that we are minus hearing makes it all the more vital to increase our mental outlook. (P.S. — A good start is to subscribe to THE SILENT WORKER.)

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Do you know? A new law now permits Income Tax payers to claim a deduction up to 20% of gross income for contributions to charitable, educational, and religious organizations. Previously, the limit was 15%. Meaning what? Just this: that when making a contribution to the NAD Endowment Fund, you now can deduct 5% extra on your Income Tax.

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Seriously speaking, can a deaf *mute*, even if he's of royal blood, actually be taught to speak, much later in life? According to *The N. Y. Times*, 43-year-old Don Jaime, eldest son of former King Alfonso, has begun action to claim the Spanish throne because, well, because his wife, a 33-year-old singer, has succeeded in teaching him to *speak*! Ye gods and little fishes! How credulous can some folks be? Still, we're not agin' Brother Jaime's assumption of the throne, no, no.

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"What shall we give them next?" — This is the ever-recurrent question facing nearly all Entertainment Committee chairmen of the average

club of the deaf. "Aw, I seen this play before"; "same old card party" — "same old 'Lit'" — "same old movies" — same old stuff". Result? Our perplexed chairman is rather hard-pressed to provide a suitable program that will satisfy an assorted audience of ages 17 to 70. Too, talent is often sadly lacking. Not every city can boast of an ardent advocate like Anderson, a Byronic booster like BBB, an energetic educator like Elstad, a galvanic go-getter like Greenmun, a kinetic koot like Kanapell, a mighty mauler like Murphy, an oracle like Orrill, a persistent pleader like Peikoff, a spark-plug like Sparks, a warbling wizard like Williams, a youthful yodeler like Yolles, or, say, a smart lad or lass like you. So what? Yes, so what would be your solution? Shoot it to this "Korner", will you?

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Youngish deaf parents might well accord due consideration to the idea of acquainting their *hearing* offspring with our sign language. Family conditions differ, generally. Many are able to get along fine with speech and lip reading, resorting to the manual alphabet when in a pinch; others, however, not so fortunately situated, unconsciously create an artificial wall which gradually tends to alienate their own children from them. This sorry picture was forcibly brought to my attention the other day by a social welfare worker who was simply stumped in trying to adjust or reconcile some petty differences between deaf parent and hearing child — all due mainly to that communication barrier between them. What a tragedy in the making!

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To friends, far and near, who have been kind enough to shower me with so many manifestations of good will on my 70th birthday last November: It is indeed pleasant to be remembered and I am deeply appreciative of your thoughtfulness. To one and all, including the NAD and THE SILENT WORKER, I want to convey, through this "Korner" my warmest thanks.



# Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

## The Mississippi School

By Robert S. Brown, Superintendent

**T**HE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF had its beginning almost 100 years ago.

On Tuesday, February 7, 1854, Col. Erasmus R. Burt, a member of the House of Representatives, and the father of the Mississippi Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, offered the following resolution, which was adopted, to-wit:

"Resolved, That the Committee of Education is hereby instructed to enquire into the expediency of enlarging the building of the Blind Institute, so as to furnish apartments for the education of the deaf and dumb, and report by bill or otherwise."

Col. Burt was a prominent and influential member from Oktibbeha County, and at that session was not only a member of the Committee of Education, but was the Chairman of the Committee on Claims, the first in the list of committees.

It will be seen that instead of being an asylum, or a refuge for the deaf, its very origin was in the idea of education, and every recommendation, act and resolution had in view the education of the deaf; making it purely an educational institution.

On Wednesday evening, February 22, 1854, just fifteen days after the introduction of that resolution, Col. Burt, from the Committee of Education, made the following report, to-wit:

"Mr. Speaker: The Committee on Education have had under consideration the resolution of the House, instructing them to enquire into the expediency of establishing an institution for the education of the deaf and dumb, have instructed me to

report the following bill, and recommend that it do pass."

On the morning of the 28th of February, Col. Burt called up this bill and it was made the special order for that evening at 7 o'clock. The question was taken on the passage of the bill, and decided in the affirmative by the vote of Yeas, 43, Nays, 20.

The bill was immediately reported to the Senate. At the afternoon session the next day, March 1st, Senator Webb, from Pontotoc, called up the bill and it passed by the vote of Ayes, 13, Nays, 9.

The bill was reported back to the House at the night session of this same day. Time was short, the Legislature, by resolution already adopted by both houses, was to adjourn the next day. Mr. Siddall, from the Committee had found the bill correctly enrolled. It was reported to the Governor that evening, signed, or approved, by him that evening and reported back to the House on the morning of March 2nd.

Thus was born, March 1, 1854, the Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, of Mississippi. Those who are familiar with the workings of legislative bodies, know that with the opposition to this bill, there must have been some interested, watchful, experienced and influential friend to engineer it when it was carried through so rapidly and skillfully, and so near the end of the session. There being no other way of finding out who this friend was than from the journals of the House and Senate, the honor must be attributed to Col. E. R. Burt.

On the 19th of April following the



Robert S. Brown, Sr., Superintendent of the Mississippi School, was born in Mississippi, near Meridian, and graduated from Lauderdale High School in 1926. Four years later he completed the course at Mississippi State College, receiving a bachelor's degree in Vocational education. He has just completed the requirements for a Master's degree at Mississippi College in the field of school administration and guidance. He is in his ninth year as superintendent, after having taught in the public schools of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have five children, four boys and one girl.

passage of this bill, Messrs. W. B. Stuart, S. Pool, and F. C. Jones, Trustees of the Institution for the Blind, organized as Trustees of the Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb. Instead of enlarging the buildings of the Institution for the Blind, as was contemplated in the Act, and organizing a department for the Deaf and Dumb, the Trustees very wisely purchased property and established an independent institution. They purchased property on Capitol Street, opposite the Governor's Mansion, for \$9,000.00 and opened the Institution for the reception of pupils, August, 1854, with Mr. John H. Gazly, a deaf-mute and a graduate of the New York Institution, as Principal. The salary was insufficient and Mr. Gazley resigned in a few months. Mr. Momfort



was then employed; he soon resigned to accept a more lucrative position. The school was closed about the first of November, 1855, and up to the time of their first report, January, 1856, the Trustees were unable to secure a Principal, on account of not being able to pay a sufficient salary.

It appears from the report made by the Board, January, 1857, that the school was closed about three months in 1856, because they were unable to get a teacher. The records do not show at what date the school was opened, but the Trustees wrote: "We secured on June 1st Mr. Bliss, a deaf-mute, as a teacher, who remained about two months." On July 1st of the same year they employed as Principal, Rev. A. Pomroy, and Mrs. Pomroy as Matron. Later in the year they employed Mr. E. N. Bowes, a deaf-mute, as assistant teacher. Mr. Bowes had attended both the Ohio and Indiana Institutions as a pupil. The Board seemed anxious, and very naturally, for the future of the Institution, for they said in that report: "How much longer this Institution is to exist, must altogether depend upon the action of the present Legislature."

The Legislature came to the rescue; in addition to the annual appropriation of \$2,000.00 they made an increase of \$6,000.00 a year. The Trustees recommended in their report that the property then owned by the Institution in the city be exchanged for that known as St. Andrews College, about one mile west of the city. This suggestion was adopted by the Legislature and the exchange was made that year. Fifteen pupils were received during the year 1856, whose names are not given in the report. Rev. A. Pomroy made the first report as Principal in January, 1857. Among other things he records the fact that Gen. Jo Bell, President of the Board, handed him \$5.00 with which, being increased by \$2.00 from himself, they prepared the pupils a "sumptuous Christmas festival."

The future of the Institution now seemed bright indeed. With handsome, commodious and comfortable buildings



The main building at the old Mississippi School. This picture proves to readers in the north that they do have winter in the south. California readers should be informed that the streaks across the top part of the building are glare ice on the telephone wires.

and an energetic and active Principal, the Legislature having provided all that was asked, the Trustees naturally hoped for large prosperity. Whether there was any further trouble is not recorded but before the close of another year Mr. and Mrs. Pomroy quietly dropped out, and Mr. A. K. Martin, nephew of the distinguished founder, and for thirty-five years the successful Superintendent of the Missouri Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, appears as Superintendent. Mr. Martin was one of those educated, high-toned, chivalrous, Christian, Southern gentlemen, whose wide experience and liberal knowledge in the management and education of the deaf, rendered him peculiarly well fitted to adorn this position.

The following January Mr. Martin made a lengthy report, in which the Institution appeared in an exceedingly flourishing condition. It was in September of 1857 that Mr. L. W. Saunders was first appointed teacher. In the words of Mr. Martin, Mr. Saunders was, at that time, a "promising young pupil, who has by his zeal and industry made such advances in the art of teaching as give

good promise of his success. He is also indebted for his appointment to his genial temper and good moral character." With the exception of the years the Institution was closed on account of the war, Mr. Saunders taught continuously in the Institution after his appointment in 1857.

In September, 1860, Mr. Martin resigned to accept a similar position in the Louisiana Institution. By the first of October the Board had secured the services of Mr. A. G. Scott, at that time Principal of the Tennessee Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

A new era was dawning upon our country. In 1861, "rumors of unsuccessful and successful wars" filled the air, and the dark clouds of civil strife began to settle down upon a happy and prosperous people. Before another biennial term had passed the iron heel of war was on the neck of this child of State, and she lay trampled in the dust. The buildings were burned, the beautiful and happy home was desolated and the unfortunate and helpless children were left, it seemed, to the doom of darkness and ignorance. The following is an extract







The M.S.D. faculty.



A Thanksgiving Day chapel program.

from the message of Gov. Pettus, sent to the Legislature, Monday, November 4, 1861: "It is my painful duty to inform you that Col. E. R. Burt, Auditor of Public Accounts, fell mortally wounded at the battle of Leesburg, while gallantly heading a regiment of Mississippi's brave sons to one of the most brilliant victories which has come to our arms during the war. These are times that try men's souls."

The deaf of Mississippi can never cease to honor the State for what it has done for them. Inexorable war had brought death and destruction, and almost famine, yet, amid all this desolation the representatives of the people did not forget the deaf, as will be seen from the following section, taken from an act of 1862 and 1863:

"Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi: That the Trustees of the Mississippi Institution for the Deaf and Dumb be authorized and hereby empowered to place the deaf and dumb orphans in their charge, and such others in the State as are similarly situated, in some suitable Institution for the deaf and dumb in or out of the State until the Trustees of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb properly fit up and organize the same for the reception of scholars."

"The same act appropriated \$7,000.00 annually to enable the Trustees to carry out this provision. The next Legislature not only provided for the orphans, but, to use the words of the Act, "for the deaf-mutes who have been, or may be under the pupilage of the Institution for that class."

Fortunately, for the deaf, when the

Constitution of Mississippi, which was adopted in 1869, was drawn up some friend was thoughtful enough to secure their interest by the enactment of the following clause:

"It shall be the duty of the Legislature to provide by law, for the support of institutions for the education of the deaf, dumb and blind."

This provision was re-enacted in the Constitution of 1890, Article 8, Section 209; consequently the education of the deaf of Mississippi is an assured fact until this part of her organic law is repealed.

In obedience to this provision the Legislature of 1874 re-organized and rebuilt the Institution and its history has been one of continual progress from that day to this. Under the act authorizing the rebuilding of the Institution, Gov. Alcorn appointed a Board of Trustees which proceeded at once to purchase grounds and buildings.

After visiting various sites in Jackson and other cities, the property now occupied, and at that time owned by Mrs. Edward Yerger, and some adjoining, was secured for \$26,000.00 in State warrants.

The Board met July 8, 1871, and elected Dr. J. L. Carter, then a member of the Board, as Principal. The school was opened on December 1, 1871, and in his first report, December 31, Dr. Carter gives the names of nine pupils who had entered, and stated there were thirty-five applications on file. His second annual report shows that forty-five have been received. In his report, December, 1872, the Principal recommends the introduction of Articulation teaching, but the fact is noticeable that it was just ten years till this department was inaugurated. The next report of Dr. Carter gives the names of fifty pupils received, and in 1875 forty-three.

The next report appeared in 1878 and seventy-one pupils had been received during that time.

On January 10, 1881, Mr. J. R. Do-

byns was elected to succeed Mr. Talbot, and entered upon his duties March 1st following.

In the report for 1880 and 1881, the Superintendent recommended the introduction of articulation teaching, the teaching of trades, the purchase of more ground and the erection of a school building, and provision for the education of colored deaf, all of which recommendations were adopted by the Board and provided for the Legislature. The printing office was opened, and on April 1, 1882, the publication of the *Deaf-Mute Voice* was begun, which has continued, with the exception of a few months in the latter part of 1889. The teaching of articulation was begun in November, 1882, by Miss Mossie McGann, whose successful history of six years' teaching in this Institution, and whose untimely death, in 1888, are still fresh in the memory of the profession. The separate department for colored pupils was opened October 1, 1882, and has continued to grow during the ten years of its existence.

There were under instruction in 1882 and 1883 eighty pupils, with seventy-nine present when the report for these years was made. During 1884 and 1885 there were enrolled one hundred and ten, with eighty present December 31, 1885.

About this time the De L'Epee Literary Society was organized for the pupils, and has continued its regular monthly meetings much to the entertainment and profit of its members.

In April, 1886, the sixth Conference of Principals and Superintendents was held here which became an important part of the history of this Institution. There were present at this Conference representatives from twenty-four States and two Provinces of Canada. This Conference was signalized as the "Gallaudet Conference," in which was celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, the founder of the education of the deaf in America.

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In the year 1894, many indications of more progress were made. The addition of Mr. Charles S. Deem, who was educated in Ohio School for the Deaf and Gallaudet College, to the faculty meant much to the success of the school for many years. His picture was later placed in the chapel by the Mississippi Association for the Deaf, and to this day, January, 1951, it still occupies this position.

The library and museum were started in 1894 by private donation of books from Mr. W. H. Hill, a lawyer of Palo Alto, Mississippi. This kind deed meant much to the boys and girls for many years to come. In 1894 our enrollment was 101.

The Mississippi Association for the Deaf had its first meeting on Monday, September 22, 1894. Dr. Dobyns addressed the assembly on the dual method of education of the Deaf, and he stated that it was his opinion that this method was best for the children. A resolution was passed commending Dr. Dobyns for his address and for advocating the combined method of instruction.

In the report of 1901 it is seen that Miss Watkins taught Maud Smith, a deaf student who was also blind.

On March 18, 1902, at 11:30 A.M., a fire completely destroyed the old school on North State Street. There is an account of the terrible calamity in the report to the Board of Trustees of the Institution.

With the buildings gone and almost the entire equipment of the school destroyed, the prospects for continuing the session were gloomy indeed. At an early hour next morning the Board of Trustees was in session. A short conference developed the fact that it would be necessary to send the children home for an indefinite period. The Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the instruction of the pupils by correspondence, and the balance of the term was filled out in that way, each teacher preparing and forwarding weekly lessons. Within the next twenty-four hours most of the children were safe in their homes

and plans were forming for the "reopening of the school."

Temporarily the school was located on North State Street for a period of two years. Then, two years after fire had destroyed the school, at 11:30 in the morning of March 18, 1904, Governor James K. Vardaman signed a bill for a new school to be constructed on West Capitol Street. The coincidence of time is very striking. Even at the same hour of the discovery of the disastrous fire Gov. Vardaman affixed his signature to the bill appropriating the money for rebuilding, which made it possible for the State of Mississippi to erect the magnificent establishment that replaced the old one.

The school is greatly indebted to General Arthur Fridge for his gift of portraits of all the Presidents of the United States, which he made in 1909.

In 1910 General James D. Furlong, a native Mississippian, bequeathed to the school \$5,000.00, specifying that it be used to complete a sanitary kitchen, store room and dish washing room. Any balance left was to go toward beautifying the school grounds. This work was completed in 1910, and a tablet was made in memory of General Furlong for his generous gift.

On June 5, 1916, only a few days after school closed, the building once again very nearly suffered a calamity, when it was struck by a cyclone.

Mr. Wirt A. Scott was appointed Superintendent of the Mississippi School for the Deaf in 1918 and served until 1930. He was well qualified and knew his job from the very beginning.

Perhaps for the first time a real effort was made in 1921 to provide the children with a well-rounded physical education program. Money was provided by the legislature to purchase and install equipment for this program. It was believed that this program had a great deal to do with the good health of the children during this period.

In 1922 linotyping was added to the printing department. For this purpose a Model 14, Mergenthaler machine was

purchased and installed. The demand for linotype operators was increasing by leaps and bounds.

In 1924 the name of the institution was changed from the "Institute for the Deaf and Dumb" to the "Mississippi School for the Deaf" which was certainly a most desirable change. It was through the interest of Mrs. Nellie N. Somerville, Chairman of the Committee on Eleemosynary Institutions, that this change was secured.

In 1932-33 the enrollment was 267, which was the largest in the history of the school at that time. Even then Dr. Stone knew that all of the children in Mississippi were not being reached, and called attention to the need for a compulsory education law for deaf children.

Perhaps due to the efforts of Dr. Stone in reaching more deaf children by 1935 the enrollment increased to 273 students, which, insofar as the records show, is the largest enrollment in the history of the school up until that time.

In 1940 John R. Bane became superintendent of the school. He, too, recognized the need for a new school plant, and made his request to the legislature for sufficient funds to erect new buildings to care for the educational and housing needs of the deaf students.

In the superintendent's report to the legislature in 1941 he strongly recommended the building of a new school on the old asylum property.

In September, 1943, Mr. Lewis Meyer came from the Colorado School for the Deaf to assume his duties as Principal of the Mississippi School for the Deaf.

In June, 1944, Robert S. Brown came to the school as Superintendent. He saw a paramount need of the school was for new and well-equipped buildings and for larger appropriations.

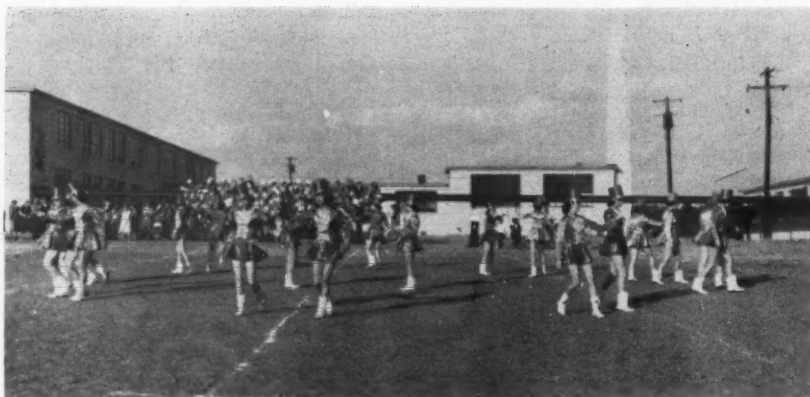
On December 20, 1944, the first annual Governor's Day was instituted with Governor Thomas L. Bailey appearing as the main speaker. Preceding his address he made the rounds of the entire school and really saw the problem that Superintendent Brown, the members of the legislature and he, himself had. He

Varsity basketball, 1952.



The girls' basketball team.





Twenty girl majorettes on the field at halftime during a Mississippi-Alabama football game. Probably the largest group of girls prancing for any state school for the deaf.

saw the building as a number one fire hazard, with approximately 150 young lives at stake should a fire break out. Such an impression was made upon him that he was convinced that a new school should be constructed, and that he should recommend the building program at the 1946 regular session of the Mississippi State Legislature.

During the months that followed no time was lost in presenting the need to the members of the Legislature as the opportunity presented itself.

In September, 1945, Mr. Roy G. Parks was named principal. Mr. Parks had previously served as principal in the California School for the Deaf, and in the Georgia School for the Deaf, and as Rehabilitation Agent for the State of Georgia.

On November 9, 1945, the second annual Governor's Day was observed. The guest speakers for this occasion were Governor Bailey and Leonard M. Elstad, President of Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C. Dr. Elstad, too, recognized the needs of our school, and very plainly stated them in his address.

During the 1945-46 school session a great step was taken in the broadening of the school program. A program was worked out with the Vocational Rehabilitation whereby advanced students were placed in places of training down town.

In May, 1945, Mr. Andrew (Pop) Sullivan retired after devoting 45 years of his life to teaching, 25 years of this time being spent in the Mississippi School. He was greatly loved and respected by all who knew him.

In January, 1946, Superintendent Brown took advantage of his first opportunity to present his cause to the Legislature when they were in session. Very shortly he realized that the seeds that he had been sowing for two years had not fallen on barren ground. An appropriation of \$2,000,000.00 was approved for the purpose of erecting and equipping a new School for the Deaf

and a School for the Blind.

The Building Commission and Superintendent Brown immediately set about the task of choosing a suitable location for the new school. A number of sites were discussed, but none was decided upon until 1947. The place chosen was part of the old asylum grounds on the Old Canton Road.

At the 1948 sessions of the legislature an appropriation of \$245,000.00 was granted, which represented a biennial increase of \$65,000.00.

Due to a scarcity of materials and labor, no work was begun on the new school plant until 1948. By this time the cost of both material and labor had hit an all time high. Consequently, it was impossible to include all of the buildings in this plant that were originally requested.

The 1948 session of the legislature of the State of Mississippi was very generous to the school in giving them an appropriation of \$2,900.00 with which to purchase the first standard equipped school bus that the school ever owned. It is used for transporting the students to various points throughout the state for the purpose of attending and giving programs, seeing ball games, and attending other worthy functions.

The Negro School for the Deaf also benefited from this session of the legislature through the receipt of an appropriation made for the school for the Negro deaf and blind in the state, in their building program.

In 1950 the Mississippi Legislature voted an appropriation of \$70,000.00 for equipping the new school that was scheduled to be completed in February, 1951. This group also appropriated \$301,300.00 to be used as operating expenses for the biennium beginning July 1, 1950 and ending June 30, 1952. For the 1952-1954 biennium the appropriation is \$400,000.00 for support and \$155,000.00 for physical education building, swimming pool for the blind, garage and servants' quarters. This was

the largest amount ever set up for the purposes of support of the institution, but it still has the lowest per capita cost of any School for the Deaf in the United States.

The summary of the past century (1854-1954) shows a total amount spent of \$6,398,659.00. Since 1954 a total of 2,014 students have received instruction. At the White Department we have had 1,456 and at the Negro Department, 558. The latter department was organized in 1882, and the 1952-53 school year had the highest enrollment in the history of the Negro School with 92 present. When school opened in September, 1952, the greatest number of students ever recorded during any one school year filed through the doors of the Mississippi School for the Deaf, and in December, 1952 there was a combined enrollment of 277 pupils.

In the field of higher education we have had 27 students to attend college. Seven of these received their four-year college degree. As far as the records reveal, we have never had a student who acquired a master's degree.

It should be noted that the institution is the only school for the deaf in Mississippi and is supported entirely by appropriations made by the legislature, and has never received a donation or a bequest, other than \$5,000.00 for a sanitary kitchen in 1905, Al Nachman fund of \$5,000.00 and a few similar donations for \$100.00 or less. It is free to the eligible deaf of the state who cannot be taught in the public schools. The age of admission is six years and students can remain in attendance until they are twenty-one years old. The course of study pursued by the deaf students is quite similar to that taught in the public schools of the state, and the average pupil who remains for nine to twelve sessions is well-equipped for the battle of life.

The system of teaching employed in 1952-53 was the combined method, and, in all probability will remain the same in years to come. It is the constant aim of those in charge of the welfare of these children to supplement their education with some useful trade; so that they will go out into the world and take their place as producers instead of consumers.

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## The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

A few days ago we received an air-mail card from the editor of this nice little magazine. He told us he had just discovered, to his horror, that there was no copy on hand that would either educate or parentize you. Well, now,



W. T. GRIFFING

we certainly did pound out a lot of beautiful theories which no one in his right mind would ever bother to read, but it appears that it is AWOL. If you have to go to the foot of the class because of lack of sage advice from this department, give us a ring and we will write an excuse for you to your teacher.

Nine students at the Alabama School for the Deaf took the Gallaudet College entrance examinations last spring and all passed with flying colors. This is indeed something unusual, for such a feat happens once in a blue moon. We sincerely congratulate the fine school and those bright young people.

Now, which school will make it 12 out of 12!

BBB interrupted one of our items in the September issue long enough to inquire if we did not have Gallaudet graduates in mind when we said there was a real need of college trained counsellors in our schools. We did!

BBB went on to say that a certain school tried mighty hard to interest some Gallaudet graduates in counselling jobs at salaries equal to those of teachers but could not get to first base; these young people were interested in teaching, and at the very top.

The trend in education today is to train students for living rather than for book learning. Who knows but that within the next few years this idea may have spread until counselling jobs are among the most sought-after and the best-paying of all in the field of education. This is worth a thought or two by the young people now attending Gallaudet and by some already active in classrooms.

We still think there is more "teaching" to be done in a dormitory than in a classroom. Years back we went along on only a theory, but now that we have taken over the supervision of sixty boys we know we were on the right track all along. Working with and for these boys is an exhilarating experience as well as a personal challenge. We have found that the boys hunger to be loved and understood; we have found each

one so human and so lovable that if one will but probe a bit, the goodness in them fairly oozes to the surface to make working with them a pleasure.

We wish more Gallaudet students would enter college with a counselling position in mind. They have lived in a dormitory and they know how the students feel about certain things. It is here that they can help more than just a little.

Christ, Himself, set us all an example of service when He said He had come to minister to those who had need of Him.

A piece of mistletoe lay on our school-room desk. A pretty young teacher came in to ask us what it was for. We cheerfully obliged. A few minutes later a willowy secretary came in to ask the very same question, and once again we rose to the occasion.

Now, could this be obliging or osculatory education? Some one suggested it might come under visual education, but since we had our eyes closed, we refuse to vote that way.

Quite a few of our friends have written to tell us they missed us at the NAD convention at Austin. This is highly complimentary, really, but it certainly does make us feel like crawling into the doghouse to ask Fido to move over to make room for us.

We are very sorry to note that several papers published for the enjoyment of the deaf have decided it does not pay to continue in operation. The trouble is this: a great many of us do not bother to send in a subscription and the publishers, certainly, like to butter their bread even as you and I.

THE SILENT WORKER which is published for you and you is in need of more subscriptions. It takes money to get out this magazine and you are the very one to help. If you have not already sent in your \$3.50 please do so right now. You need the WORKER and it needs you. As Kipling put it, "It takes the everlastin' teamwork of every bloomin' soul!"

The *Desomic News* is another little paper that needs financial help. It is only \$1.00 a year. The deaf who are interested in Masonry or who have relatives with Masonic ties should help out here. Your dollar to Hugo A. Holcombe, 409 Eastlake Avenue, Apt. 2, Seattle, Washington, will do the trick. Thanks, brother.

Supt. Carl Smith of the North Dakota School writes that he is tempted to apply for a position as a teacher in the

new school at Riverside, so attractive was the salary proposition outlined by Supt. Richard Brill.

We have applied for third assistant streetsweeper of Oklahoma City where the salary is greater than ours here.

We were called out-of-town by a superior judge to help interpret the trial of a deaf Negro accused of molesting an automobile. It would seem that this man had been in trouble all over the country but that he managed to evade a trial for reasons of his low mentality and his deafness.

The judge was anxious to bring him to trial so as to have a record to go by in case of future trouble.

It was a three-day interpretation. The judge, the lawyers, and the jury would ask their questions and a hearing friend who could spell and sign fairly well would relay them to us, then we would fire them at the defendant. He signed his answers to us and we repeated them orally. The spectators got quite a big kick out of the proceedings. No less than six wanted to know where they could get a book on the sign language.

Our quarterback made the trip with us. His football jacket caused a crowd to gather around him during a recess period and, of course, he had to show them how he operated off the split-T formation. They were properly impressed. We told them he was planning to be married after graduation this coming spring and that he had made his furniture in the woodworking department of the school. They went for this in a big way. It was good advertising for the deaf all around despite the fact that Negro was on trial in that very court room.

In his instructions to the jury the judge said that deafness was no excuse for violating the law. Right.

Getting back to the poor response on the part of the deaf in subscribing to papers and magazines that are published for their pleasure and benefit: a friend said this attitude could be traced back to school days where most everything was furnished to them free. He argues that this free hand-out at the schools develops in them the feeling that sooner or later they will get what they want without paying for it.

This will very likely bring on a discussion. What do you folks think?

Our thanks go to the good friend in Alabama, J. H. McFarlane, for sending in this interesting item.

It was open house for the parents of deaf children at St. John's Church for the Deaf in Birmingham August 31. On the afternoon of that day in the recreation hall of the commodious new church there was a discussion of the question as to how parents of deaf school children can help in the education of



their children during the summer vacation.

Among the educative things emphasized in the discussion as a help to deaf children while they are at home was the enlargement of their vocabulary, to facilitate which, it was pointed out, the manual alphabet is well suited.

A summary of the discussion was made by the rector of the church, Rev. Robert C. Fletcher, and later in the afternoon at a reception for the parents it was submitted to them with an invitation to express themselves on the subject it presented.

The interpretation of the second part of the afternoon's program, which required quick transition from speech for the hearing parents to signs for the deaf, or the reverse, was a demonstration of the adaptability of that combination of methods used for the purpose in churches for the deaf of all denominations and in most of our state schools.

A commendable service rendered by our National Association of the Deaf is its dissemination of corrective information concerning the education of deaf children, which information their parents particularly need. It is natural for such parents to have illusions

of what oral instruction alone can do for their children, whereas the manual method also has its place in the development of their minds, ample proof of which is the advantage familiarity with the sign language gives the adult deaf in their social intercourse.

The interest shown in the program of which this brief report gives but a glimpse suggests that something of the kind might well be sponsored by churches for the deaf throughout the land.

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We never did fully understand the term "backfield in motion" until we took over housefathering. Try it on your stairs some of these days.

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This will be all. We have to pay for the Christmas shopping we did last year, so what with the 1953 edition just around the corner, you know education and parents just do not matter very much right now. 'Bye.

—WTG



## The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo

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This month marking the beginning of a new year, and inventories being in order, it seems fitting that the Silent Printer furnish the readers of THE SILENT WORKER with the results of his nosing around in the graphic arts.

According to data mailed in so far we find that 79% of the deaf engaged in the printing trades are printers, and that 13% are pressmen. On the composing room side we find that 65% are linotype operators and 14% are floormen. Ludlow operators accounted for just a little over 1%, as did bindery workers. We have heard from four proof readers, three photoengravers, one offset plate maker, two stereotype casters, one electrotypist and one mailer. We also have records of two engaged on the executive side of the business. Of those reporting, the overwhelming majority, or 89%, said that they got a start in their trade in school. Only 11% stated that they learned their trade on the job or in other than schools for the deaf.

The great majority of linotype operators was to be expected since almost every school emphasizes this branch of the trade, but the small number of Ludlow operators was surprising. The Ludlow machine is quite popular in commercial shops and it might be profitable for the deaf if the heads of our schools would investigate this machine with the view in mind of teaching its operation. So far we have report of only one school having one of these machines. Only a handful of those reporting considered

themselves sufficiently trained to call themselves that aristocrat of the graphic arts, an all-around printer, and fewer yet called themselves printer-pressmen.

On the pressroom side, the small percentage reporting was not unexpected since there seems to be a prejudice on the part of employers to hiring deaf in the pressroom. It would seem that inability to hear would not be too important on the pressroom side. It was peculiar, too, that the largest number of deaf pressmen reporting were from the state of Texas. Can it be that the Texas School gives a better training in presswork than most printing departments? Take a bow, Mr. Seeger.

The very large majority of deaf printers reporting that they learned their trade in school has a lot of significance. There have been, from time to time, efforts made to detract from the worth of the vocational departments of our schools. The fact that 89% of the printers reporting stated that they learned their trade in school testifies to the worth of the vocational training received in school, and particularly the value of the printing departments. It would seem that the primary object of education is to equip our boys and girls with the means of earning a living. If this premise is correct, which we strongly believe it to be, our schools for the deaf are completing their mission in a greater degree than are the hearing schools.

For those who want to make something of it, the largest number of deaf

reporting themselves as printers bear names beginning with the letter C.

Oddity Department: One of the earliest power presses in America was a Tufts press installed in 1837 on the top floor of a New York printing office. The power was supplied by a donkey which operated a treadmill. The donkey was hoisted to the upper floor each day by ropes to run the press. Mule-skinning was probably an essential skill for pressmen to have in those days. Wonder if the donkey had a union card and was retired to pasture on a union pension.

Anyone know who the first deaf printer in the United States was? Which school first taught printing? Earliest we have heard of was the Georgia School, which was teaching the trade in 1876.

Here's the January installment of the directory:

Howard E. Costello, linotype operator, Dallas (Texas) Times-Herald. Nebraska School. Howard says he learned the trade in the "School of Hard Knocks". Howdy brother, so did the Silent Printer.

John E. Houser, linotype operator and machinist, Lundstrom Printing Co., Terre Haute, Indiana. Illinois School. Learned trade in school.

Ross Thurston, linotype operator, Times-Mirror (Los Angeles) Phone Book Plant. Utah School. Learned trade in school. An interesting thing about Ross' shop is that they have only two jobs, the printing of the Los Angeles telephone book and the Tournament of Roses Souvenir issue of the Los Angeles Times. These two jobs provide year-around work for quite a large staff.

William R. Thompson, Sr. Owner of the Attic Press, New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. Thompson attended the Louisiana School, where he began in the trade. The Attic Press is engaged in all types of commercial job printing.

A. W. Wright, Seattle (Washington) Post-Intelligencer. Brother Wright failed to identify his school or his particular job but states that he has been continuously employed at the Post-Intelligencer for 51 years. Nope, that's no mistake, 51 years. In his letter A. W. directs that the 36-pt. Cheltenham bold cap H be carefully wrapped in tissue paper and deposited in our safe deposit vault pending delivery to him at the N.A.D. convention in Cincinnati in 1955. Will do, and for a record like that will also buy him a bottle of that unexcelled Cincinnati beer. If anyone can beat his record, will make it two bottles.

For all of his wonderful record Brother Wright can't produce a beautiful, distinguishing, feminine eve-catching beard such as that sported by the Silent Printer. It's moth-proof, too.

# Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Wesley Lauritsen, Editor

## Ministers Needed

The need for ministers among the deaf is being stressed by leaders in the various denominations. We have reproduced on this page an article "Help Wanted" by the Episcopal clergymen. The Lutherans, Missouri Synod, who



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have the largest number of full-time workers, have recently announced that deaf men may become candidates for the ministry. The Evangelical Lutheran Church which has only one full time man, is

seeking another man at this time and further expansion is expected.

The ministry offers a great field of service to the man who is able and willing to work. There are those who think that the minister has a soft job. Admittedly he is busy on Sunday, but what does he do on the six long days each week?

The Reverend A. G. Leisman, in his Mission Lane, quotes from a certain church paper and adds some thoughts of his own on the minister's easy life. It offers good reading and we recommend it as gospel truth. The piece follows:

"He teaches, though he must form his own classes. He heals, but without pills or knife. He is sometimes a lawyer, often a social worker, something of an editor, a bit of a philosopher, an entertainer, a lecturer, a salesman, a handy decorative piece for public functions.

"People come to see him and he goes to see people continually, and he rejoices with exceeding joy when in the midst of this an opportunity arises to be of genuine personal help.

"He visits the sick, he baptizes, he marries people, buries the dead, labors to console those who sorrow. He plans programs and spends considerable time in keeping people out of each other's hair."

"A deaf missionary like myself has his flock widely scattered. He receives considerable mail and writes many letters. He buys get-well cards because deaf people who are lonely and sick are the loneliest in the world. He puts in a dollar occasionally, too.

"He keeps his finger on the pulse of goings-on. He plans his itinerary weeks ahead of time. He reads constantly, at home and on train, to obtain suitable material for sermons and for his monthly paper which he mimeographs him-

self. He also runs a postcard duplicator and an addressing machine. He has to wade through appeals for financial aid.

"Traveling is hard on him and on his clothes. He takes chances on an airplane crash, a train delay, an automobile collision. He comes home sometimes in the dead of night, wondering whether his mission had been a success. He has to be very gentle and patient and wide awake. If by chance he misses a handshake, somebody may feel so slighted he would not come to church again.

"And—oh yes, there is the weather to reckon with. Many who live far away don't like to go out in storm and ice. But he always has the hope the congregation will be large, seldom realizing that hope. He has to keep smiling when there are only six present and \$1.32 in the collection—after traveling far.

"Yet people seem to think I lie on a bed of roses—nothing to do between Sundays!"

## Help Wanted

The rank and file of the laity of the Episcopal Church apparently are unaware that the Church has a ministry to the deaf. Some probably have only a vague idea how deafness, as a handicap, affects the religious and educational status of those so afflicted.

Recently it was estimated that there are 2,500,000 hard of hearing persons and 75,000 totally deaf in the United States.

For the enlightenment of those who are thus innocently unconcerned we offer these pieces of information.

Besides the Episcopalians such denominations as Lutherans, Roman Catholics, and others minister to the spiritual needs of the deaf.

The ministry to the deaf in the Episcopal Church now has a 100-year history.

Besides the Episcopalians, the Roman Catholics and Lutherans have a well organized and extensive organization. Their priests or ministers are without exception hearing men.

A unique feature of this work in the Episcopal Church is that nearly all of the missionary-priests are deaf men. At the present time there is only one with normal hearing.

Regardless, there just are not enough priests to fill vacancies and divide up missionary fields—extend the work to all parts of the Nation. For instance, one of our missionaries makes monthly trips to stations in an area as large as the Northwest Territory. Three, or four or five Dioceses have not been excep-

tional. Yet any one or two large cities offers a sufficiently large field for the ministry of one man—to say nothing of two or three states.

What, then, is the answer to the problem?

First of all, more trained priests are needed. If qualified young deaf men are to be recruited, where shall we find them? A pertinent fact is that nearly all of the priests (deaf) who are and have been missionaries to the deaf are graduates of Gallaudet College at Washington, D.C.

In view of this, the work must be stabilized in Washington. The missionary in that field must be charged with the responsibility of acting as a chaplain to Episcopal students at Gallaudet and presenting the challenge of the ministry to those who are qualified. He should have enough time on his hands to devote himself to this task. And the Church must supply the inducement of adequate living and tools for the priest who understands and accepts the necessity of this. The Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf has taken positive steps in this direction, but help from the whole Church is needed.

Secondly, the hearing clergy should cooperate more fully with the deaf missionary. There are many who give splendid assistance and encouragement, to be sure. But generally they fail to take an aggressive role. Or is it that our missionaries have failed to present to them a workable plan of cooperation? At any rate it is up to the parish priest to provide ways and means for giving religious education to the children of deaf parents when his church is used by a congregation of the deaf. The parish priest might supply a teacher and personally invite parents to bring their children to Church School or Sunday School at a convenient hour.

Finally, among the seminarians (hearing) there must be some who can and will learn the sign language, and, if not devote their ministry to the deaf, make it a part of their work to provide services for the deaf in their parish churches. The sign language could very well become a course of study in every seminary of the Church.—*The Deaf Churchman*

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## Sermon of the Month

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### OUR GOD—OUR ONLY HELP

*"The eternal God is thy Refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms."*  
—Deuteronomy 33, 27.

Have you ever paged through an old calendar, after it has outlived its usefulness on the kitchen wall? Or have you ever looked at a calendar still hanging in the basement, say, from 1948 or 1949? Sort of useless, isn't it?

No, not quite! There's a sermon in old calendars. They remind us of the constant and relentless flight of time. We're a lot closer to the end than we were back in 1948, five whole years closer. "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." Heb. 9, 27. Some day there will be a calendar the final pages of which will have to be torn off by those whom we will leave behind.

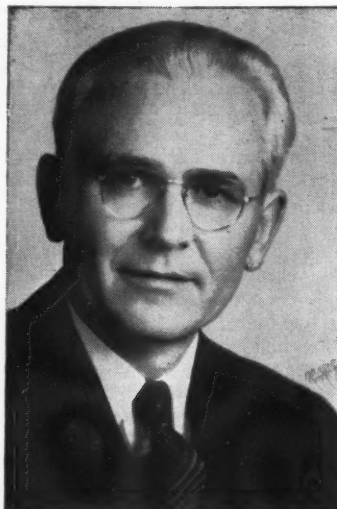
We will be prepared for that day only if we have made our peace with God through a personal faith in the atonement of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Not long ago you hung up a new calendar, the one for the year 1953. A number of days of this year have already gone by. The change from one year to another is always a serious moment. It should be a serious time for all, but so many make light of it and make the turn into the new year a night of sinful pleasure.—Not so the Christian.

A Christian knows that behind him lies another year in which many sins were committed on his part, but he knows also, it was a year of grace and love on God's part, and so a Christian enters a new year with thoughts of Him, the eternal God Who deserves our sincere gratitude for past help, and Who is ever a place of refuge in any trouble, and Whose everlasting arms support him at all times, be he good or bad.

My dear friend, whoever you may be that reads these lines, will you stop and consider for a moment the wonderful privilege which is yours, and the wonderful blessings you will enjoy, if you will look up to Him and trust in Him Who is your Only Help and Refuge. "The Lord is faithful, who shall establish you, and keep you from evil." 2 Thess. 3, 3.

Yes, if we had only ourselves and our earthly friends, and earthly goods to look to for strength and courage to meet the new year, we should be most miserable and might easily give up in despair. But we know, we are not traveling through this world alone, but we have, with us at all times that all-wise,



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all-powerful heavenly Friend, Jesus, Who has said: "I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you." John 14, 18. With Him at our side, and our hearts clinging to Him, we can face the days in the new year courageously and confidently, contently and victoriously, knowing that no trouble will come to us except He wills it, and that no matter what comes it will not be more than we can bear and that He will supply us with the necessary strength. "O taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in Him." Psalm 34, 8.

We pray Thee, Almighty God, Ruler of heaven and earth, teach us to know and to rely on Thy power alone in every sorrow and danger in our life. Make us to feel safe under the shadow of Thy wings.

*Our God, our Help in ages past,  
Our Hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our Guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal Home. Amen.*

### Good Work

We recently visited in the home of friends who will celebrate their golden wedding in two years. The lady of the house has raised two boys of her own and her sister's girl. Now she has time on her hands and instead of brooding about it uses the time for the Lord. Each month she crochets and makes 40 to 50 beautiful aprons which are sold, the full proceeds going to missions. She supports a native missionary. One Christmas she made 3700 krum kager and donated the entire proceeds to missions.

Individuals or groups such as ladies aid who really want to help with the spiritual work among the deaf have unlimited opportunity along this line.

## Movie "Ephphatha" has Premiere 25-Minute Sound Film Well Received

(A moving picture film entitled "Ephphatha" had its premiere showing at the School for Deaf in Faribault, Minnesota, on October 5. The picture gave a description of the operation of the Minnesota School for the Deaf and the School for the Blind, and was scheduled for widespread distribution. The following comment on the showing of the film is from an editorial in the Faribault Daily News.—Ed.)

A significant event for Ephphatha Church, the Minnesota School for the Deaf and the Minnesota Braille and Sight-Saving School, all located in Faribault, occurred Sunday afternoon, October 55.

After many weeks of careful planning, the local premiere of an unusual, human interest picture "Ephphatha", which translated into English means, "Be Opened", was held at the School for Deaf auditorium.

For the Reverend and Mrs. Stewart N. Dale of Ephphatha Church, and for members of the board of charities of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and for officials and friends of the two state institutions the premiere marked the culmination of a long cherished dream for an authentic sound film which would give the general public an accurate and graphic picture of how the two schools operate, how classes are conducted and how the close relationship with Ephphatha, unique among churches of the world because it serves the deaf and the blind at the same time, provides a helpful religious atmosphere for the students of the schools.

Produced by ELC Films, sponsored by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the film is to be made available to church groups, civic organizations, and other bodies anxious to learn more about the outstanding work of the schools and the constructive job of spiritual training being done by Rev. and Mrs. Dale and their aids.

The fact that Sunday's premiere was witnessed by a large and representative crowd of local and out of town residents indicates that the project has won respect as being highly worthwhile and of inestimable value to the two schools and the church in the future. . . . The Dales, the church board of charities, and school officials are to be commended for their ingenuity, persistence and good judgment in making the project possible.

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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE  
25TH OF EACH MONTH.

### MISSOURI . . .

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore report the birth of a second son on October 13. The little newcomer is named Garry Allan. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin O'Connor welcomed a baby daughter, Patricia Jean, October 23. The O'Connors have a two-year-old boy.

Josephine Jouce and Clifford Jones have announced their engagement though friends of the couple have been teasing them that they are already married. Helen Strickney has also announced her betrothal to William Woods and is wearing a beautiful diamond. Helen's brother plans to construct a new home for her and William.

Carl Wear returned home the end of October from two months in Portland, Oregon, and three months spent up in Alaska where he worked as a carpenter. He praises life in Alaska, especially the money to be made there.

Albert Stack is using that new Pontiac delivery truck he got in trade for his '47 Chevrolet truck for use in delivering for his cleaners shop in Olathe. John Moore exchanged his '36 Buick for a '41 Ford and Tony Japins has a brand new '52 Chevrolet sedan. Sylvester Bock has bought a '49 Ford.

Our confirmed bachelor is no more! Norman Rogers has finally been hooked by a hearing girl. On November 15 he and Alice were married at the Pilgrim Lutheran Church with the Rev. Ferber officiating.

The St. Louis Silent Club has been forced to move out of their hall to make way for the Army Medical Corps. As this is written, the Club still has not found suitable quarters, though it is hoped that they will find something right soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Searles took Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris along with them in Harry's newly purchased '49 Ford to see the football game between Arkansas and Missouri at the school in Fulton the first of November. Arkansas won 27-25.

Joplin, Mo., now has a Club and holds open house each Sunday. The Missouri Association of the Deaf recently established chapters in other cities, among them Joplin, Hannibal, Sedalia, and St. Joseph.

Vincent Weber has returned to Kansas City and reports that his sister, Betty, will also return shortly. We are certainly glad to see Vincent back, he is one of our brightest basketball stars as well as a mighty fine fellow.

Kansas City will have the use of the Redemptorist gym and Drexel Hall for their Eighth Annual Midwest Basketball tournament scheduled for February 27-28 and season tickets are now selling at \$6.50 each. A professional troupe has been engaged for the floor show planned for Saturday evening and it looks like a big event.

### OREGON . . .

Edwin Storz of Salem is in the fuel business and reportedly doing very well, for which he is to be congratulated. Edwin specializes in sawdust and when local mills cannot supply him, he has supplies sent in by rail from mills in surrounding cities.

The marriage of Rose Todd and Dwight Worthington was solemnized on November 13 in Klamath Falls. Dwight is the hearing brother of Norma Worthington. Friends of the couple everywhere send their best wishes.

Folks have been wondering as to the whereabouts of Fred Davis. It is reported that Fred is now employed in a paper mill at Roseburg, Ore.

Keith Bowers paid a visit to Salem during the autumn while on his way up to Pendleton. Keith had been laid off from his job in Roseburg and was hopeful of securing employment in Pendleton. Friends wonder what luck he had and would like to hear from him.

A daughter, Lorna Arlene, arrived October 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Mouton who now live in Honolulu, Hawaii. Residents of Oregon will remember Mrs. Mouton as Georgia Ward prior to her marriage.

### NEW JERSEY . . .

A beautiful baby, normal in every way, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Roth just three weeks after Mrs. Roth had been pronounced fully recovered from an attack of polio. A nurse is attending the baby until the mother is well enough to take over. The Roths are happy and relieved at the baby's safe arrival and their friends are very glad for them, too.

Although it is a bit late, friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Basedow of Lodi, N. J., will be interested in learning that they became the parents of a husky baby boy the latter part of September.

William Hillas, well-known amongst members of the Northern Valley and the Laro Clubs, has recovered from injuries suffered in an auto accident during October. William sustained a broken nose, facial cuts, and chest and leg injuries. His car was completely demolished.

Rev. Gerhold, formerly of Massachusetts, is happy over the good progress he is making with his mission work among the deaf Lutherans in New Jersey and they are proud to have him with them.

Gracious Mrs. Bouton of Paterson was hostess at a spaghetti dinner held at her home the first of November. The affair was held under the auspices of the Newark Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bedford was baptized and christened Rosemarie Elaine at the Hackensack Methodist Church the 26th of October. Bess Trinks, an attaché to the United States' UN delegation, was the Godmother and Robert Trinks was Godfather. A buffet supper was served to members of the immediate family at the Bedford home following the services.

News comes that Gertrude Hoppe of Demarest, N. J., has announced her betrothal to a St. Albans gentleman and friends are eager to make the acquaintance of the fortunate young man. His name was not available at the time this was written.

### SOUTH DAKOTA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Skorheim were autumn tourists who spent three weeks in California, Mexico, Nevada, Utah, and Colorado. They were pleasantly surprised in California when their son Norman introduced them to a new daughter-in-law, Arlene. They were in time to attend the wedding reception held a week later at Elks Hall, where the happy young people received many practical gifts from almost 200 of their relatives and friends.

Sorrow darkened the home of the A. J. Krohns when his father passed away in October, the first death in the immediate family in many, many years. The elder Krohns had just celebrated 64 years of marriage and Mr. Krohn is survived by his widow, six daughters, seven sons, thirty-eight grandchildren, and forty-four great grandchildren.

Another bereavement occurred during October when the 85-year-old mother of Norman Larson of Jasper, Minn., passed away. Funeral services were held at the Norwegian Lutheran Church with the Rev. Robert Cordes interpreting for the deaf.

Rev. Robert J. Cordes has started with a new schedule for the deaf at the Trinity Lutheran Church. Services are held every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Rev. Cordes has issued a hearty welcome to all the deaf to attend.

Arvin Massey has traded in his Henry J. for a '50 Pontiac. He says that the Pontiac uses up quite a lot more gasoline than the Henry J.

The Wisconsin Pilot announces the marriage of Mary Ellen Whitlow of Eau Claire, Wisc., and John Siverson of Minneapolis. Mary Ellen is a former South Dakotan, having attended school here, and friends locally extend congratulations to Mary and John.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Krohn covered 2,300 miles on their two-weeks vacation, during which they stopped in Montana to see their son, Waldemar, stationed at Billings. They passed through Wyoming, the beautiful mountains of Colorado and the prairies of western Kansas and Nebraska where they visited relatives.

Several friends made the trip to Watertown recently to pay their respects to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Chizek on their 20th wedding anniversary.

George Lastrico and Dana Dillman, '52 graduates of the S.D. school, were unsuccessful in their search for work in Sioux Falls. It is hoped that the two youngsters have found employment elsewhere by now. Bonnie Maxwell, another '52 graduate, has been more fortunate. She has found work at one of the larger department stores here in the alteration department. Bonnie is good at sewing and her grandmother presented her with an electric sewing machine when she graduated last June.

A belated wedding shower was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Berke at the Lutheran Church just recently. More than 55 friends were present at the gathering, which was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Everette Ruedebusch and Mesdames Roman Berke and Herbert Stearns.

Friends have learned of the marriage of Shirley Garvis and Bob Ellis on October 16. They are making their home in Kansas City where Bob is working as a carpenter while waiting for an opening with the Fiber-Glass Company.

Benedict J. Lee is now working for a construction firm in Marvin, S. D., where a new Indian Mission is being built. Benny has made several trips to Millbank during his off time to visit with Ronald Bock.

Edward Barber, a member of the graduating class of South Dakota '50, is taking a year's leave of absence from Gallaudet College and is at present holding down a position with the Fort Pierre Register at Ft. Pierre, S. D. Clyde Ketchum visited Eddie on a recent week end and the two had quite a bit of fun.



October 4 was National Newspaperboy Day and Buddy Blankenship, employed by the Daily Breeze in Redondo Beach, Calif., was called upon to demonstrate his skill at the linotype machine for the benefit of newsboy visitors. The above photo appeared in local papers.

#### MARYLAND . . .

Camilla Koch was the latest of several relatives to visit the Mark Klebergs. Edith Kleberg's pretty cousin made a big hit with those she met in Frederick and she with Mrs. Kleberg were dinner guests of the Benson family. The Bensons were dinner guests of the Klebergs the day before, October 12. She accompanied the Klebergs to Washington on October 17 to witness Gallaudet lose its first game of the season to Wilson Teachers College.

A surprise baby shower was given on Sunday evening, October 19, for Edith Kleberg by Margaret Clock Yates, Irene Stanley and Elvira Wohlstrom in the basement of the Yates home, which was all fixed up with bunting of pink and blue crepe paper. The bathinette in blue was the gift of the M.S.S.D. faculty, all of whom attended with the exception of Mrs. Bjorlee, Mrs. Taylor and Miss Elliott for reasons of illness. Those who attended were Bernice Hendricks Gutin, Phoebe Tharp, Bernice Shockley, Mary Benson and mother, Bertha Knode and faculty.

Dr. and Mrs. Bjorlee entertained at a reception in honor of new faculty members. Mrs. Virginia Doub Klos spoke briefly to the group on her stay in Japan during the occupation immediately following the war. She also displayed a large and attractive collection of Japanese objects. The guests of honor were Mr. Wayne Walters of Indiana, successor to Marcellus Kleberg as printing instructor; Mr. Albert Gutin of New York, successor to Robert Stanley as science and mathematics teacher; and Mrs. Gutin, a recent bride who was the former Bernice Hendricks of West Virginia. Kleberg is working in Washington, D.C. for a commercial firm and Stanley is teaching in the Tennessee School for the Deaf, Knoxville.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Yates had a large crowd at their home one recent evening. Among those present were Irene Stanley, Wayne Walters, the Gutins and the Jim Behrensens. They played Canasta and refreshments were served.

Frederick's annual Fair had one minor mishap when Irene Cramer, young daughter of E. Allen Cramer, was severely choked when her neck scarf became tangled in the mechanism of a miniature ferris wheel. She was removed to Frederick Memorial Hospital, treated and permitted to return home. Physicians said her neck was badly bruised.

Howard F. Hood of Mt. Airy continues to improve at University Hospital in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pyles of Baltimore proudly announce the birth of their second child, a boy, Stephen, on Labor Day. The couple are from West Va.

George M. Leitner was honored on his 80th birthday in August by a big party in the Sunpapers Building, Baltimore. Besides other gifts he received an autographed baseball from the Silent Orioles Club, for which baseball team he was once a pitcher. He also played with the N.Y. Giants.

November was election night for both the Frat and the Auxiliary in Baltimore. Heading the Baltimore Division No. 47 for the coming year are: Ray Kauffman, pres.; S. R. McCall, v-pres.; James A. Barrack, sec'y; Victor Krohn, treas.; J. Martini, senior trustee; Herman Schwartz, second year trustee; Otto Seby, third year trustee; Billy Harris, director; and Joseph Bogucki, sergeant. Results at the Auxiliary were: Mrs. Doris Knowles, pres.; Mrs. Louise Price, v-pres.; Bernice Leasure, sec'y; and Mrs. Jeanette Schleibaum, treasurer.

The F.F.F.S. also has a new list of officers who were elected recently. Mrs. Sheldon Blumenthal is president and Mrs. Dennis Broughton is the new v-president. Mrs. Sam McCarthy will serve as secretary and Mrs. Charles Knowles is the treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Potts are now comfortably settled in the house they bought not long ago and announce that the welcome mat is out for all their friends at the new address on Dyer Ave. in Glyndon, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reeb also have something to make them happy, a new '52 Chevrolet in grey, a 4

door DeLuxe model, in which they foresee many miles of happy driving.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Bowman acquired a dark green '52 Pontiac early in the winter and are right pleased with the new automatic transmission. They also got their long awaited 21 inch RCA television set, all of which leads their friends to believe that Fleet has a really good job at the U.S.F.&G. in the printing department. He likes the work very much.

Mrs. Irene Stanley, Misses Edith Fauth and Mildred Houchin, Mrs. Mamie Behrens and her sister of Union Bridge, Md. went to New York on November 7 for the weekend and had a wonderful time taking in the sights.

Nancy Lee Davis, a graduate pupil of M.S.S.D., underwent an emergency appendectomy in a Washington, D.C. hospital during the weekend of November 8-9 and Elvira Wohlstrom, a teacher, went to visit her on Armistice Day. As was her wont, she parked her car in Bethesda, Md. and took a public conveyance to Washington. After her visit to Nancy, she couldn't remember where she had parked her car and had a hectic three hours before she finally found it with the aid of the police!

#### NEW YORK . . .

St. Ann's Church for the Deaf commemorated its 100th anniversary on October 12, at St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery. The Rev. J. Stanley Light, pastor in charge of deaf work in the province of New England, preached. Prior to the sermon, the Rev. Dr. James Paul, dean of the Manhattan Convocation, brought the congregation warm and devoted greetings from the Bishop of New York and from all the churches in Manhattan. His words were translated by Daniel T. Cloud, supt. of the New York School for the Deaf. The Rev. Mr. Light was assisted by the Rev. Wm. Lange and Rev. Otto Berg, deaf ministers in charge of deaf work in the dioceses of Buffalo, Maryland and Washington, respectively. Mrs. Ethel Diekman, Mrs. Elsie Funk, and the Misses Anna Klaus and Muriel Dvorak signed the hymns. Nearly 200 attended and after the service a reception was held in the parish hall. Rev. Edwin Nies is the pastor in charge of St. Ann's Church for the Deaf.

Charles Herche was recently hit by a car. He was hurt seriously enough to warrant an ambulance trip to the hospital.

The Merry-Go-Rounders celebrated their fourth anniversary at a Birthday Ball on October 17 at the Riverside Plaza Hotel. Mr. Ben Agid, as Master of Ceremonies, introduced a number of prominent guests among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Simon Osserman.

The David Peikoffs of Canada were in New York recently with their daughter, Joyce, who required a medical check-up.

Buffalo Division No. 40, N.F.S.D., held election of officers at the October meeting. All were re-elected. At this meeting three new members took oath. At the November meeting Sam Ricco announced that plans for a ball in February were in full swing and that a hall had been procured for the affair.

Lutheran Church services conducted by Rev. Rhoe are now being held on the fourth Sunday evenings at Dodge and Ellicott. It is hoped the date will prove more convenient for the majority of the deaf of Buffalo.

The Binghamton Civic Association of the Deaf and the Triple Cities Rally Committee are hard at work preparing their second big NAD rally, to be held at the Earle Hotel, Binghamton, on February 21, at 8 p.m. Featured on the program will be Mario Santin of New York City, who will show moving pictures of his trips to the World Congress of the Deaf in Rome, Italy, and the NAD convention at Austin, Texas. Mahlon E. Hoag, chairman of the Rally committee, promises a big time and urges everyone not to miss it.



## WASHINGTON, D.C. . . .

Over seventy persons from D. C. attended the Homecoming Football Game at the Virginia School in Staunton the last week-end in October. They also enjoyed the dedication ceremony of the new gym named in honor of the deaf coach, Carlton Lewellyn. Prominent speakers were in the persons of Gov. Battle, ex-Gov. Darden and Dr. Elstad.

Friends of Reuben Altizer are pleased to learn he has completely recovered from his recent ulcer and gallbladder surgery.

The DCCD basketball team, with coach John Wurdemann and manager Victor Gallo-way, went to Pittsburgh in mid-November for a game with the Pittsburgh and Akron Clubs and beat them with favorable scores. The players on the team are Padden, Renick, Kendrick, Cuscaden, Scott, Stecker, Stifter, Wait, Stedrak and Christian.

After staying in town for several weeks with their married children, Dr. and Mrs. Harley Drake returned to their home in Ohio in time to vote in the November presidential elections.

The Women's Guild of St. Barnabas Mission held a very successful and interesting bazaar and supper in early November. Mrs. Bertha Dobson was chairlady of the delicious turkey supper.

Quite a number of local folks have purchased homes in Maryland lately. The Chester Dobsons have acquired the deed to a 1½-acre farm near Silver Springs, which will provide wonderful elbow room for their six children. The Leon Auerbachs have a brick house in Hyattsville, the George Culbertsons in Langley Park, Heimo Antillas in Bladensburg, Al Ederheimers in Laurel and Richard Phillips near D. C. The Jason Ammons own a semi-detached home on Ogleshorpe St. in D. C.

Ruth Bonnett has left for Nebraska to take a course in key punching (IBM) in her hometown, Omaha, after which she hopes to secure work in Denver. Her friends in D. C. wish her luck.

Heading this year's D. C. Frats are Tony D'Onfrio, president (his fourth term); D. Smoak, vice president; Leonard Lau, secretary and Edwin Engalgau, treasurer. The D. C. and Baltimore Frats had their Smoker party combined for the first time which was held in Baltimore in November. All reported a wonderful time.

Elmer, nine-year-old son of the Alex Ewans, was struck by a car and received a fractured leg which required him to remain in the hospital for eight weeks. The little fellow, we are happy to hear, is doing nicely.

Harrison Leiter of Chicago, N.F.S.D. trustee for thirty-nine years, made a stop in D. C. before meeting his wife and flying down south of the border to Cuba for a short vacation.

Flae Shook brought his whole family from Richmond to visit with Madeline and Edith Byers one week end recently.

Happy to receive an ITU card, Mike Chreniawski drove off to Michigan in his new Dodge for a two-weeks vacation.

William Brubaker and his wife have just returned from a glorious ten weeks' trip out west. As their children are grown up and have left the nest, they sold their home and will live in an apartment.

The Wallace Edingtons, Edward Carrs, Catharine Coffey and Mrs. Mary Swain made up a nice party from D. C. joining in the big celebration in honor of John Roach's birthday in Philadelphia.

Leonard Lau, who was chairman of last year's successful New Year's Watch Party of the DCCD Clubroom, will again, by popular request, have charge of the affair this year.

Lucille Themis, a senior at Gallaudet College, was confirmed on November 2 by Rev. Otto B. Berg as a member of the Episcopal Church. She had been baptized a week or so earlier.

## IOWA . . .

Elections are in the news mostly these days! Officers of the Mascia Club for '53 are: Mrs. Rudolph Kaplan, pres.; Mrs. Carl Barnd, v-pres.; Walter Poshusta, treas.; and Cal Barnd, trustee. Hostesses at the meeting were Miss Henrietta Pals and Mrs. Anna Fee.

Ross Koons really is "somebody" we think! Ross was elected treasurer of the Des Moines Rubber Workers Union for the seventh consecutive year. That would still be quite a record even if Ross were not, as he so laughingly says, deaf as a lamp post. One thing is certain, his co-workers think very highly of him! (So do we.—News Ed.)

The two small children of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Roberts of Council Bluffs were stricken

with polio during the past summer and both are still recuperating from the dread disease. Friends everywhere are rooting for their full recovery. Edwin is working in a photographer's shop in Omaha.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Marxer are cheered at the news that Larry is getting better, though he still has a long pull ahead of him. Larry underwent four operations the past summer, one of them very serious. He is back at work at present but has to take things easy for a long time yet. Mrs. Marxer is kept quite busy writing to their numerous friends and keeping them all informed as to Larry's progress. It is good to know your friends are concerned when illness strikes and the Marxer friends are many.

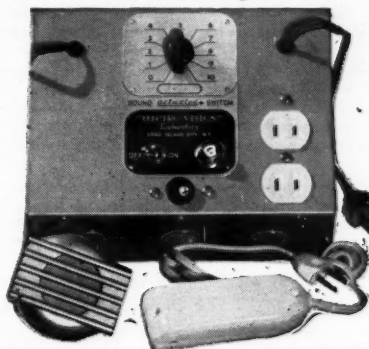
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## CALIFORNIA . . .

Rupert L. Nixon took three weeks off and boarded a bus from Los Angeles to NYC in late October visiting other points of interest, and Fred Drum motored east to St. Louis, Mo., on a month's tour, during which he managed to see all his former acquaintances.

Reason for the happy smile Loel Schreiber is turning your way is that Herb made her a present of a brand new '52 Plymouth Club Coupe upon the occasion of their wedding anniversary in early November.

The Los Angeles NFSD and Auxiliary No. 27 elected new officers November 2. Heading the Frats in '53 will be Faye Palmer, pres.; Ray Stallo, v-pres.; Leonard Meyer, sec'y (re-elected); Paul Cope, treasurer (re-elected); John Estes, director; Mr. Shealy, serg't; and Joe Pope, Preston Barr, Joe Purpura, Trustees. Little change occurred during the Auxiliary's elections. Lucy Sigman, v-president last year, was voted president by acclamation; Helen Rosenkjar, v-pres.; Geraldine Fail, last year's president, was appointed secretary by acclamation and Vera Palmer was re-elected treasurer. Lulus Homan now begins her fifth year as director and the new sergeant is Evelyn Ash with Ethel Himmelschein, Esther Peterson, and Lynne Lewis comprising the Board of Trustees.

Friends have been wondering how things are going with Elmer Long, who writes "The Long View" for the Worker. It turns out that Elmer and Noreen are very busy people these days with Noreen holding down a pleasant

position in the Industrial Engineering department at North American Aircraft where Elmer is also employed. And that is not all; they bought and moved into a brand new home in Manhattan Beach during mid-November, which accounts for their pre-occupation, really!

Their little son "Pinky" has fully recovered from the near-tragic accident he suffered when hit by an automobile in April of 1951, a tribute to the five doctors who handled his case. Elmer, who has been building planes at NAA for nine long years, took his first flight the end of June, although the occasion was a sad one, the death of his mother in Independence, Mo., and haste made air travel necessary. Then, just three months to the very day, Elmer's father, grieved at the loss of his wife, passed away the end of September. Elmer was unable to fly back to Independence for his father's funeral and the loss of both his parents within such a short time was a bitter blow; they would have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary the end of the summer. Our sympathy to you, Elmer! May the new home be filled with happiness for you, Noreen, and little Pinky, and help you to forget your recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson welcomed a little daughter October 31 in No. Redondo Beach. Despite the jokes about a "Halloween Baby," the little one is, according to Howard, a raving beauty. November 2 found Howard and Elmer Long celebrating at the Los Angeles Club. Mrs. Johnson is a hearing girl and Howard hails from Minnesota.

Mrs. Edna B. Loew of New York City returned home the last week of November, after more than a two-months sojourn in Los Angeles. During a prolonged visit to LA some fifteen years ago, Edna made many friends who vied with each other in entertaining her during her recent visit. Cecile Willman gave a luncheon and card party to which sixteen ladies were bidden and Ethel Himmelschein entertained at a dinner for Edna at the Helen Foster Cafe in Santa Monica.

Emory and Evelyn Gerichs bade almost 100 of their friends to the Los Angeles Club on October 5 to help them commemorate their 25th Wedding Anniversary. The Gerichs are known to be one of our happiest married couples and here's hoping for another such celebration another twenty-five years hence.

Mary Thompson spent several days in the hospital during late October when she underwent minor surgery. She is her usual smiling self again tho'.

Long Beach's fisherman, John Fail, is keeping his friends informed of the progress he is making on his new 50 foot commercial fishing boat now under full construction in San Pedro. He takes photographs and color movies at regular intervals as the building progresses and hopes to launch the new "City of Long Beach" sometime in late February.

Beverly Katz of Santa Ana was the surprised and delighted recipient of many lovely gifts at a bridal shower given her November 7 at the home of Loel Schreiber in Los Angeles. Hostesses at the happy gathering were Loel,

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Marcella Brandt, Ruth Hutchinson, Patricia Jobe, Eleanor Nuernberger, Vilma Ridler, and Ailene Schmidt. The wedding took place at the home of Beverly's parents, on November 29, with Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Katz, in Santa Ana with Marcella and Mrs. Ella Gardner as the bride's attendants. Sol Brandt and John Fail lent moral support to the flustered bridegroom.

West Point Cadet Allen T. Lindholm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Toivo Lindholm, Los Angeles, has received his appointment as a lieutenant in the U.S. Corps of Cadets. Allen, a senior at the United States Military Academy, has been designated as a platoon leader because of his high class standing in military efficiency and aptitude for the service.

We hear from the northern part of the state that new officers for '53 have been elected at the East Bay Club in Oakland and those appointed are: Don Herman, pres.; Henry Miller, v-pres.; Don Ingraham, sec'y; V. McKean, treas.; Al White, financial treas.; Glenn Kearney, Roland James, Larry Jones, auditors; and on the board of directors are Claude Barlow, Dietrich Kaiser, Lester Naftaly, and H. Wilson. Henry Miller also serves as house manager and it looks like a prosperous year ahead for the EBCD.

Mrs. Kathryn Croughen Sprouse, wife of Joseph Sprouse of Los Angeles, and Mr. and Mrs. David Reddick also of Los Angeles, lost their lives in a tragic highway accident near El Paso, Tex., the morning of October 2 when the Reddick's late model Chrysler turned over three times following a blowout. Death was in-

stantaneous. Funeral services for Kathryn were held in Fort Worth and burial was at Mt. Olivet cemetery in that city. The Reddicks were taken to Springfield, Missouri, and interment rites were performed there. The news came as a distinct shock to friends of the three who had just bidden them a gay farewell a few days previous and the sympathy of all is extended to Joseph, the bereaved husband of Kathryn.

Just as we completed this month's column, we learn with some concern that Lillian, the beautiful and very popular wife of Hollywood's Bob Skinner, was taken to Los Angeles Methodist Hospital, where an operation for acute appendicitis was performed Friday evening, November 21. Bob reported that Lillian had come through the ordeal very well and would be home within a week.

That steady hum of activity you hear around southern California promises to increase to a roar as the months pass by. There are two reasons for all the energy: first, the 1954 Far-west Basketball Tournament scheduled to take place in Long Beach and the 1955 National Tournament slated for Los Angeles. Committees for both events have been appointed and their various money-raising projects have begun full blast with Geraldine Fail as chairman of the '54 event and Thomas W. Elliott heading the '55 Tournament. Both clubs have given over almost every major event toward benefits for the two tournaments and the results are gratifying to both the hard-working chairmen. Los Angeles has given over their club

kitchen proceeds toward the Nationals with Tom's pretty wife, Becky, at the helm, assisted by the wives of all the committee members and an electric dishwasher was purchased and installed in late November. A huge sum went into the coffers November 22 when Lou Dyer supervised a major stage show with Janie Lou and Fred and Virginia LaMonto helping him labor in the kitchen. Long Beach sponsored a gigantic stage production in late Autumn which was headed by Ellen Grimes and Geraldine Fail and netted the sum of \$600 for the Long Beach treasury.

## OHIO . . .

Ray Grayson, one of our best news contributors, writes that he attended the wedding of Pauline Hahn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Buescher, to Richard Niven of Columbus the evening of November 19, and, as his account is a strictly masculine attempt to write up a wedding, complete with description of the gowns worn by the bride and her attendants, he begs folks not to laugh. Lovely Pauline appeared in white satin with a long train and wore a lace monk's cap and veil. Her bouquet was of white roses and she was given in marriage by her father with Rev. Georg Almo officiating, aided by the assistant Pastor of Christ Church. Irene Daulton was Pauline's bridesmaid and Mrs. Owens of Columbus, a sister of Richard's, was matron of honor. Both carried large bouquets of pink roses. Irene was dressed in blue and Mrs. Owens wore pale green net. The ceremony was most impressive and Ray did not do too badly

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A lengthy item in a recent issue of the Cedartown, Georgia, Standard gave high praise to a faithful employee of the city, Frank Skelton, who is deaf. During the World War crisis Mr. Skelton was hired by the city to be the janitor at the combined city hall and jail. He became a first class custodian, wielding his broom or mop diligently to make the place probably the cleanest in town. One of his duties is to serve meals to the prisoners, which he did fearlessly, although he got into one or two fist fights. He is a great favorite with the city employees, especially the firemen and the policemen. They like to "pick at him" and he not only loves it, but "picks at them." He is a friendly man, and never fails to greet familiar persons with a wave of his hand. He has become such a fixture at the city hall that some have remarked that the city hall would not be the same without him. He lives comfortably in his own home with Mrs. Skelton, having raised and married off three children. They go to Atlanta frequently to attend church and to see their friends. The Georgia deaf are proud to claim them as their own.

at describing the service. Every wish for happiness is extended to the new Mr. and Mrs. Niven, both of whom graduated from the Ohio school and will make their home in Columbus. Mr. Amelio Columbro served Richard as best man and lent all needed moral support.

One of the numerous similar affairs that will eventually be held to raise funds for the Diamond Jubilee Convention in Cincinnati in '55 took place on Sunday, November 9, at a Lodge in the beautiful Mt. Airy Park of Cincinnati, with Robert Hulley as the energetic chairman and assisted by capable Hilbert and Harriet Duning, Elizabeth Bacheberle and Robert Uhrig. They originally intended to sponsor a number of out-door activities but the day turned cloudily, raw and cold, so the heated Lodge was far too comfortable to leave. The estimated sixty persons who attended engaged in hilarious in-door games and not only enjoyed themselves hugely, but provided much entertainment for the spectators also. One stunt, too good to neglect describing, called for all those born in November to line up, and as their turn came, to think up some stunt to entertain the others. Those born in November were James Frazer, Pearl Barrowcliff, Paul and Florence Bischoff, Francis Huddleston, Harriet Duning, and one other young woman whose name was missed. The seven of them were at a loss until Ann Garretson offered a clever solution after which

the seven "passed the hat" around and collected all the loose change the onlookers possessed. Not only was the stunt surprising and entertaining, but it netted a goodly sum which, in addition to money collected as admission that day, added up to quite a bit. But that was not all: Mrs. Ancil Lippert was the lucky finder of the hidden treasure, a sum of money, and promptly donated it to the convention fund too. The event on November 9 was not too well attended, due to such short notice and lack of advance advertising but forthcoming outings will be prepared well in advance and everyone is urged to attend and help make '55 really "big."

Those who attended the convention in Austin last summer will recall that the Cincinnati delegation was active in soliciting booster donations for the souvenir program planned for the 1955 convention. It is hoped to eventually obtain a larger number of boosters from all over the country and readers of THE SILENT WORKER who wish to donate \$1 as a booster are requested to send their contribution to Mr. John Welte, c/o 2901 Sander Street, Cincinnati 19, Ohio. Names of those contributing will be printed in the booklet but it is emphasized that there will be no prizes in connection with the booster fund, all of which will go toward defraying the cost of printing the souvenir program as well as other convention expenses. There will be other contests involving prizes which will be announced later. Anyone wishing to solicit booster donations in their home city is requested to write to the above address and a receipt book will be mailed promptly.

It is with much regret that we report the passing away of Mrs. Kathryn Shepherd, widow of the late James M. Shepherd, on Sunday morning, November 2, at her home in Columbus. Burial was in Cincinnati. Mrs. Shepherd was educated at the Ohio school and leaves two sons, four sisters, and three grandchildren.

A baby shower was held the afternoon of October 26 for Mrs. Richard Weitz, nee Marjorie McClain, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doudt. Marjorie received many lovely items for the expected infant.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherred Adams welcomed a bouncing baby boy, Jon Sherred, on October 3. Little Jon weighed in at a hefty 8 lb., 14 ounces, and is the pride and joy of Kate and Sherred.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller and Mr. and Mrs. George Goll journeyed to Portsmouth, Ohio, in early October where they spent a pleasant two-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hall and other friends. A week later, Mr. and Mrs. James Mowery and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doudt travelled to Columbus to see Rolland Doudt, their son and nephew. Late October saw Mr. and Mrs. G. Goll and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller off to Fort Wayne, Ind., for the Frat Social there. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Doudt and Mr. and Mrs. William Wingate reported an enjoyable visit when they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Blackburn in Lima, Ohio. They climaxed the afternoon with a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Settemire. In November, Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn were entertained in turn by the Paul Doudts at dinner in McComb, Ohio.

#### NORTH DAKOTA . . .

After a lapse of many months, North Dakota may be represented in the news section 'ere very long now. The News Editor has received a charming letter from Gladys Gilman of Beach, N.D. offering to contribute North Dakota items provided she can round up correspondents in her locality. Residents of North Dakota are urged to contact Gladys and send her news of themselves and their friends. If they do so, North Dakota will be included in Swinging next month. Address Gladys Gilman, Box 414, Beach, North Dakota.

#### LOUISIANA . . .

Margaretsa Middleton has been making her home in New Orleans for some time now, since taking over the vacancy in a position created by the resignation of Mrs. Leslie Broussard.

Have you seen the beautiful outdoor barbecue pit which kindly G. G. Barham built for the Willard Foremans in their backyard? G. G. visited the Foremans in Baton Rouge recently and built the barbecue for them.

Anthony Mowad of Oakdale and Mary Ann Rush of Meadowville, Miss., were united in marriage the 18th of October in Natchez, Miss. They honeymooned in Florida and visited in Alabama, New Orleans, and Baton Rouge before returning to Oakdale where they are making their home.

Friends here wonder how Miss Linette Fret likes living out west. Linette is now listed on the faculty of the New Mexico school at Santa Fe.

Charles Core surprised his friends down here by introducing his bride, the former Anna Wrokovich of Akron and a '51 graduate of the Ohio school, during his visit to the homecoming celebration the end of October and the first of November. Few knew of the marriage, which took place in Akron last June and every one was delighted to meet up with the new Mrs. Core.

Mr. and Mrs. Martial LaFleur are among the latest to acquire a television set and now join the Gayle Thomases, the Wesley Thomases, the Luther Stacks, Luther Scott, and Frank Bergeron, who all own sets. Frank had a set installed in his "Royal House" for the benefit of his tenants. Many others are expected to purchase TV's in the near future, as Baton Rouge is to have a channel soon, perhaps in January.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frazier in Shreveport was the setting for a wedding shower honoring newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Hester (also of Shreveport) in October. The popular couple received many attractive and useful items with which to enhance their nice apartment in Cedar Grove. Mrs. Hester was Miss Hazel Fenton of Lufkin, Texas.

The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Childress at Mercy Hospital in New Orleans the 24th of October and left a husky baby boy who has been named Junior III, and a few days later on October 28 the Curtis Beasons of Oakdale welcomed a second visit from the stork. The newcomer has been named Natalie Jane Beason, a lovely name for a lovely little miss.

Velta Viverata is happily displaying a very beautiful set of diamond rings which husband Rosalio gave her on the occasion of their tenth wedding anniversary in early October.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA . . .

Friends everywhere were saddened by the death from a heart attack of George Elliott Rhodes, who passed away in his sleep November 11 at his home in Walhalla, S. C. Funeral services were held on the 13th at the St. Luke Methodist Church and interment followed in West View Cemetery. Mr. Rhodes was 64 and a composing foreman for the Keowee Courier for many years. He was a member of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf and attended the Cedar Spring School in his youth. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Pauline Crisp Rhodes; one daughter, Mrs. Fred Thode of Clemson; two sons, two grandchildren, three sisters, and two brothers. Another son, Allison, lost his life in battle during World War 2. On the Courier staff for 41 years, Mr. Rhodes' record was the longest in the history of the paper and his passing will long be mourned by his co-workers as well as his many friends throughout the state.

The South Carolina Alumni Association for

the Deaf made a generous donation of three hundred dollars to the Athletic Department of the state school in Spartanburg and as a result of the gift, capes for the football team and warm-up jackets have been purchased for the basketball teams.

A gala Christmas Party was sponsored December 6 for the deaf of Spartanburg and vicinity and the children enjoyed themselves greatly during the festivities. Party was held under the auspices of the Palmetto Club of the Deaf, Inc., and was held at the Franklin Hotel in Spartanburg.

## NEBRASKA . . .

The Omaha Club had a meeting October 24 for the first time since last spring with a good attendance. The business that had piled up since April was disposed of and included committee reports all the way from the party last February to the basketball council. The meeting deserves some mention because of the report given by John Rewolinski, head of the refreshment committee last February, which resulted in an uproar of laughter among those present. John waded through the receipts and expenditures and then, in a serious manner, announced the PROFIT: \$.01 — a lone penny — 1/100 of a dollar. Nevertheless, John was given a big hand for taking his job so seriously and the one-cent profit will surely never be forgotten.

The Omaha Frats held their annual election in November and results were: Roy Sparks, pres.; Sidney Hruza, v-pres.; Thomas Peterson, sec'y.; Elvin Miller, treas.; George Propp, trustee; Kenneth Matthews, director; and Delbert Meyer, sergeant. Mr. Peterson was elected Secretary for the 5th year and that is quite a record. Delbert Meyer is a young fellow, just out of school, who has been a member a little over a year and shows much promise as a coming leader.

The Maple Court Trailer Camp, owned and operated by our Dale Paden of Omaha, has been expanded and a new bath house erected with the assistance of Nick Peterson and George Propp and a few others. Now the camp can accommodate 80 trailers, whereas the original area was limited to 30. The Padens are bound to be "sitting on top of the world" very soon, now that the new North Omaha bridge across the Missouri river is nearing completion. It runs right by the Paden place.

The Hans Neujahrs are avid football fans and have taken their son, Bruce, to every game at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln this season. They got their season tickets which cost them quite a sum. They hope someday that 15-year-old Bruce will turn out an All-American.

The James Jelineks are contemplating a move to California, where they will make their home in either Los Angeles or San Diego. They plan to leave early in the spring and will either truck all their furniture or sell it. The Jelineks have lived in Omaha for many years and are well known and liked by all the deaf here. Everyone wishes them the best of luck in California.

## KANSAS . . .

Wichita bids a hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Denziel Fisher of Blackwell, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gillespie of Ida, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Eagle of Council Bluffs, Iowa. The six are newcomers to Wichita and are all currently employed locally. Mr. Fisher is with the Beech Aircraft Co., Mr. Gillespie is employed at the Steffins Ice Cream and Dairy Co., and Mr. Eagle is with a cafe while Mrs. Eagle has obtained employment in a laundry.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Tipton of McPherson spent an enjoyable week in Topeka with the Alex Drevers and paid a visit to the Topeka Club, which they found to be most pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marrs, nee Mabel

Tipton, of Winfield have left for their new home at Virden, Canada, after two weeks visiting with Mabel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Tipton, in McPherson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Detrich of Great Bend have bought a 30-foot trailer and have moved to Elkhart, Kan., where Bob is working as an oil driller.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Stoffel of Russell welcomed a six-pound baby boy October 18, and named him Jerry. Mr. and Mrs. Larry McGlynn of Hutchinson became parents of a seven-pound boy October 24, named Timothy Allan. The christening of little Timothy took place the 2nd of November with Miss Lois McGlynn as godmother and James McGlynn as godfather.

The Wichita Club of the Deaf will be directed by an almost all femme board of officers during 1953. Mina Munz is the new president, Mr. Dean Vanatta is v-pres., Mrs. Floyd Ellinger, sec'y., and Miss Willa Field is treasurer. Although women have been appointed to head clubs more and more during the past couple of years, it is the first time for the Wichita Club and great things are expected of the new officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reed have bought two lots south of Wichita and have built a small house on one which will be used later as a garage when they finish building a house on the other lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hottle of Mulvane spent a few days with Mrs. Hottle's sister in Seymour, Mo., and then visited overnight with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roberts at Siligman, Mo. They also stopped over at the Disney Dam and the Will Rogers Memorial in Oklahoma.

Otis Koehn and his two brothers bagged 17 pheasants during a ten-day hunting trip near Montezuma. Raymond Whitlock and Archie Grier of Hutchinson and Wichita came home with nary a bird. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dibble, Mr. and Mrs. George Harms, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson were given birds caught by their sons and Mrs. Dibble celebrated her birthday by inviting Mrs. C. L. Nanney of Newton and Mina Munz of Wichita as guests at a pheasant dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson took Mr. and Mrs. Francis Stack and Mina Munz with them on a recent visit to the Hutchinson Club of the Deaf where they all admired the new draperies and newly painted woodwork in the hall. All the work was done by the members and the place really looks nice.

Visitors being entertained hereabouts lately are Mrs. Lena Koehn and Mrs. Mary Schmidt of Montezuma, the mother and aunt of Otis Koehn, at the Koehn home in Wichita. Rae and Willa Field have been showing the local sights to their sister Miriam of Manhattan and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barnett of Gem were recent week end guests of Mrs. Barnett's sister, Mrs. Francis Stack.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bean, the former Naomi Reading of Richmond, Calif., have moved back to Wichita and Ervin is working at the Bond Bakery.

The two Wichita Clubs are grateful indeed to Mrs. Lehr, the mother of Frankie, for the gift of a set of ovenware dishes.

Miss Audrey Reading and Tom Young, a service man, were married in Treece on August 8. At present they are making their home in Liberal, Kan., and friends of the pair extend them hearty congratulations.

Jimmie, the 22-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Walz of Wichita was a contestant in the Wichita Baby Coronation Pageant and the Diaper Derby sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary the end of October. Jimmie won third place in the beauty contest and first place as healthiest baby. The winners were paraded in royal robes and wore crowns.

## KENTUCKY . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McFaddin and daughter, Joanne, of Gable, S. C., were guests of Mrs. McFaddin's sister, Mrs. Alfred Marshall, and Mr. Marshall in Danville late in October. Another early winter guest at the Marshall home was Mrs. Margaret B. Rosen of Charlotte, N. C., who stopped for a night both coming and going from a convention held in Chicago.

The Sewing Club met at the home of Mrs. Doom in mid-November with Mrs. Doom and Jean Brewsaugh serving as hostesses. The members were delighted to include Mrs. Forrest Hoffman of Chicago as a special guest at the meeting. Mrs. Mildred Middleton demonstrated the use of her new electric sewing machine and also an automatic button-hole attachment. Meetings of the Club are always enjoyable and Mrs. Hoffman was really pleased to attend. She and her children were the guests of her sister Mrs. Joseph Balasa of Danville, and during her visit she was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marshall.

November 15, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Balasa gave an informal party for Mrs. Hoffman and among those invited were the Alfred Marshalls, Mr. and Mrs. David Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. James Hester, Miss Mary Johnson, Miss Mary Kannapell, Miss Clyde Reynolds, Mrs. Pauline Wilkerson and Mrs. Earl Elkins. The following day Mrs. Hoffman and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hoffmeyer.

The Danville Bible Class served a hot supper just before the regular meeting November 16. Mrs. James Royster, Miss Mary Kannapell, and Virginia Ward served on the committee and are to be commended upon the excellent manner in which they handled the event.

Almost everyone in Danville tried to entertain Mrs. Forrest Hoffman during her visit to Danville. She and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Balasa, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Elkins November 18.

## TEXAS . . .

Ruby and Bob Kleberg took off on a visit north to Ruby's parents home in Tucker Hill, Va., in September and also paid a visit to her sister, Lola Musgrove, in Silver Spring, Md. Bob's brother, Marcellus, joined them and he and Edith enjoyed a happy family reunion.

Laura Gene Johnson of Denton, and present resident of New York, spent a month's vacation in Europe with her cousin. Last minute preparations for the trip kept her quite busy and as she had to take several different kinds of shots before leaving the country, she was feeling rather ill for a few days.

The Silent Bible class of Houston held a "Newcomer Party" recently for Mr. and Mrs. Ben Towery and Mrs. Marvel Hurley. The three were tendered a pleasant welcome into the group.

Hazel and Jack Richard are living in a furnished apartment in Houston but are looking for one unfurnished as they have kept their furniture in storage for two years now. Jack, however, says that he may not remain at his present place of employment after January. He would like to seek work in Dallas, the home of his parents and his former stamping ground.

Jackie, son of the Jesse Wilsons, was married to a lovely girl named Sue on September 13. Friends showered the couple with many lovely gifts.

Robert Hurley has sold his home and he and his little family are now living with his parents until they can make other arrangements.

Miss Rhoda Clark is on the supervisory staff of the Texas School at Austin this year after having given up her job as tracer for the Douglas Aircraft Corp. in Los Angeles, Calif. Rhoda is the lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clark of West Hartford, Conn.





# CHECKMATE!

By  
"Loco" Ladner



Chess is not just a game of skill but a game of lessons. Players can learn facts from Chess as this article by Benjamin Franklin proves. Our thanks to Mr. Hugo A. Holcombe of Seattle, Washington, for sending it to us:

## The Game That Teaches Success

*Even if you don't play chess, you can learn its practical lessons in living from this great classic by the great American sage.*

By BENJAMIN FRANKLIN\*

The game of chess is not merely an idle amusement; several very valuable qualities of the mind, useful in the course of human life, are to be acquired and strengthened by it, so as to become habits ready on all occasions.

For life is a kind of chess, in which we often have points to gain and competitors or adversaries to contend with, and in which there is a vast variety of good and ill events that are, in some degree, the effect of prudence or of the want of it. By playing at chess then, we may learn:

1. **FORESIGHT** — which looks a little into futurity, and considers the consequence that may attend an action; for it is continually occurring to the player, "If I move this piece, what will be the advantage or disadvantage of my new situation? What use can my adversary make of it, to annoy me?—What other moves can I make to support it, and to defend myself from his attacks?"

2. **CIRCUMSPECTION** — which surveys the whole chess-board, or scene of action: the relation of the several pieces, and their situations; the dangers they are repeatedly exposed to; the several possibilities of their aiding each other; the probabilities that the adversary may make this or that move, and attack this or that piece; and what different means can be used to avoid his stroke, or turn its consequences against him.

3. **CAUTION** — not to make our moves too hastily. This habit is best acquired by observing strictly the laws of the game; such as, *if you touch a piece, you must move it somewhere; if you set it down, you must let it stand.* Therefore, it would be the better way to observe these rules, as the game becomes thereby more the image of human life, and particularly of war; in which, if you have incautiously put yourself into a bad and dangerous position, you cannot obtain your enemy's leave to withdraw your troops, and place them more se-

\* Originally published (in 1787) under the title "The Morals of Chess."

curely, but you must abide all the consequences of your rashness.

And lastly, we learn by chess the habit of not being discouraged by present bad appearances in the state of our affairs; the habit of hoping for a favorable chance, and that of persevering in the search of resources. The game is so full of events, there is such a variety of turns in it, the fortune of it is so subject to sudden vicissitudes, and one so frequently, after contemplation, discovers the means of extricating one's self from a supposed insurmountable difficulty, that one is encouraged to continue the contest to the last, in hopes of victory from our skill or, at least, from the negligence of our adversary.

## HOW TO ENJOY GAMES

That we may therefore be induced more frequently to choose this beneficial amusement in preference to others, which are not attended with the same advantages, every circumstance that may increase the pleasure of it should be regarded: and every action or word that is unfair, disrespectful, or that in any way may give uneasiness, should be avoided, as contrary to the immediate intention of both the parties, which is to pass the time agreeably.

## OBEY THE RULES

1. Therefore, if it is agreed to play according to the strict rules, then those rules are to be strictly observed by both parties; and should not be insisted upon for one side, while deviated from by the other, for this is not equitable.

2. If it is agreed not to observe the rules exactly, but one party demands indulgences, he should then be as willing to allow them to the other.

3. No false move should ever be made to extricate yourself out of a difficulty or to gain an advantage; for there can be no pleasure in playing with a man once detected in such unfair practice.

## BE CONSIDERATE

4. If your adversary is long in playing, you ought not to hurry him, or express any uneasiness at his delay; not even by looking at your watch, or taking up a book to read: you should not sing, nor whistle, nor make a tapping with your feet on the floor, or with your fingers on the table, nor do anything that may distract his attention; for all these things displease, and they do not prove your skill in playing, but your craftiness and your rudeness.

5. You ought not to endeavor to

amuse and deceive your adversary, by pretending to have made bad moves; and saying you have now lost the game, in order to make him secure and careless and inattentive to your schemes; for this is fraud and deceit, not skill in the game of chess.

## HOW TO WIN GRACEFULLY

6. You must not, when you have gained a victory, use any triumphing or insulting expressions, nor show too much of the pleasure you feel. But endeavor to console your adversary, and make him less dissatisfied with himself by every kind and civil expression that may be used with truth; such as, "You understand the game better than I but you are a little inattentive," or "You play too fast," or "You had the best of the game, but something happened to divert your thoughts, and that turned it in my favour."

(To be continued next month)

## Maldonado Again Champion

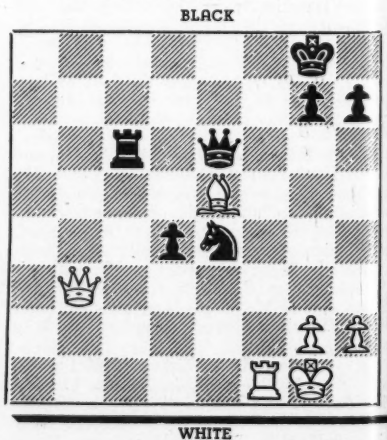
The veteran Leandro Maldonado again demonstrated his wizardry at the ancient game of chess by making a clean sweep of the 1952 Tournament of the Berkeley Chess Club for the Deaf. In his wake he left the shattered hopes of Emil Ladner, Oliver Johnson, Leo Jacobs, Harold Ramger, Byron B. Burnes, Louis Ruggeri, and George Fromm, who had vainly sought to win a coveted victory. In 1953, Leandro will have two added opponents to contend with—Lester Naftaly and Bernard Bragg.

## The Chess Problem

The solution to the Christmas fantastic problem was simply 0-0-0 which means, in chess parlance, castling on the Queen's side. This so rarely occurs that chess players are apt to forget that it is possible, even at a game ending, provided that both King and Rook have not been moved previously.

Now for this month, we present the following problem. Find the winning move for White which forces Black to resign at once:

White to Win in One Move!





# SPORTS

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## AAAD HALL OF FAME PROSPECTS . . .

### Thomas Carlton Lewellyn

**Dean of Coaches at American Schools for the Deaf**

**By Joe R. Shinpaugh, Jr., Principal, Dept. for the Deaf,  
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JOE R. SHINPAUGH, JR.

**A** LONG-AWAITED DREAM has at last become a reality at the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind. On Saturday, October 25, 1952, the new physical recreation building was accepted, dedicated and named in honor of Thomas Carlton Lewellyn, veteran coach and teacher in the Department for the Deaf, of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind.

A beautiful dedication program was held with many distinguished Federal, State, City and school officials attending, and paying their respects to Mr. Lewellyn. Colonel Curray Carter, President of the Board of Visitors and life long friend of Lewellyn, presided. The Hon. John S. Battle, Governor of the Great

The splendid new gymnasium dedicated at the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind on October 25, 1952, named Lewellyn Gymnasium in honor of Thomas Carlton Lewellyn, the only bona-fide coach the school has ever had, now embarking upon his 40th coaching year. Lewellyn's long tenure qualifies him for the title of dean of present-day coaches at schools for the deaf in the United States.

*(Editor's Note: This is one of a series of articles on Deafdom's outstanding prospects for the AAAD Hall of Fame.*

*The athletics at the Virginia school for the deaf without Thomas Carlton Lewellyn would be like Johnnie Ray without tears—it just wouldn't sound right. So it was with unbounded rejoicing that we learned that the splendid new gymnasium recently dedicated at the Virginia school was named Lewellyn Gymnasium in honor of T. C. Lewellyn.*

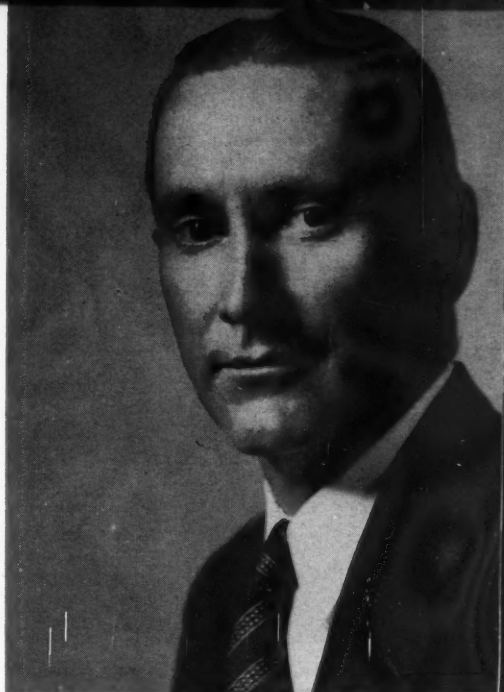
*The athletic-chested Virginian has devoted the best years of his life, his heart, his soul and all his talents to the development of athletics at VSDB.*

*He has been feared, cheered, hated, loved, booed, lavished with praise and given the bum's rush at one time or another, but the athletics at VSDB today are a living monument to Lewellyn's love of sports.*

*The story of Thomas Carlton Lewellyn written below is, of course, the story of athletics at the Virginia school for the deaf.)*

Commonwealth of Virginia, spoke, as did U.S. Senator Robertson and Congressman Stanley. The Hon. William A. Grubert, Mayor of Staunton brought greetings from the City of Staunton. Col. W. Khun Barnett, Supervisor of Special Education, spoke on behalf of the State Board of Education. Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, President of Galaudet College delivered the main address of the morning.

Dr. Elstad in his address described the feats and the accomplishments of the deaf as a whole, but in the process



THOMAS CARLTON LEWELLYN

of his speech asked the question, "How about Lewellyn? Deaf? Yes! Successful? Yes? How many of us have buildings named in our honor? Not many I am sure."

Reuben J. Altizer, President of the Virginia Association of the Deaf, said in his comments, "I take great pleasure in expressing our deepest gratitude to the Board of Visitors of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind, Superintendent Jos. E. Healy for naming of the new recreational building after our great athletic director, Thomas Carlton Lewellyn. Such honor accorded to a deaf person like Mr. Lewellyn is very unique. . . . We all have nothing but respect and love for him."

Superintendent Jos. E. Healy in his message to the Board of Visitors in August 1951, had this to say about Lewellyn. "Through the years Mr. Lewellyn has been one of our most valuable men, his contribution to the school, especially in the field of athletics and physical education, has been a splendid one."

The Staunton News-Leader had this to say about Mr. Lewellyn and the new building in an editorial printed October 23, 1952. The editorial is quoted in full:







Notables attending the dedication ceremony honoring Thomas Lewellyn. Left to right: Lewellyn; Hon. John S. Battle, Governor of Virginia; Hon. William A. Grubert, Mayor of Staunton; Jos. E. Healy, Supt. of the Virginia School; Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, President of Gallaudet College; and John T. Floyd, Business Manager at the School.  
Photo courtesy the Staunton News-Leader.

For more than a hundred years the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind has had an athletic and physical educational program of one type or another, but never, until now a gymnasium worthy of the name.

Such a building was a long, long time in the dream stage as frustration after frustration interrupted earlier efforts to obtain funds and authorization. Finally, both came through; the work was started and completed.

This handsome and well designed building, costing upwards of \$425,000 will be dedicated this coming Saturday in exercises beginning at eleven o'clock. Governor Battle, among those attending, will speak briefly. The president of Gallaudet College, where the deaf receive their higher education, will make the principal address.

Actually it will be a double dedication because suitable note will be taken of the completion, some months ago, of Darden Hall, a dormitory named for a former governor of Virginia. Into this building went some \$280,000.

The new indoor athletic and physical education center at the state school will bear the name, Lewellyn Gymnasium; and thus is honored while he is living and continues to give a fine type of service, a man who has spent approximately a half century there, as a student or instructor—Mr. T. Carlton Lewellyn.

It long has been a custom for the Board of Visitors to have new buildings on the campus named for former governors; however it is so very fitting that the school's new gymnasium should honor a man who has given so unstintingly of his time and his effort in building stronger bodies and inculcating the ideals of good sportsmanship among the thousands of boys and girls who have been on the campus since he first was appointed physical education director in 1913.

Saturday's exercises are open to the public.

The 1912 baseball team at the Virginia School for the Deaf, of which T. Carlton Lewellyn was the star. Left to right: Seated, William Hutt, W. M. Franklin, Roger Scott, Roy Rogers, Lewellyn, Wheat Prince. Rear row: Frank Shelton, Creed Quinley, Nathan Kambar, Prof. Sizer, and Edward Freeman.

They afford the people of this community an opportunity to inspect not only the gymnasium, but also Darden Hall. They also afford an opportunity for the public to say "thank you," in person to Mr. Lewellyn for his long service as a member of the VSDB faculty.

The Lewellyn Recreation Building is located on the slope of the hill above the athletic fields which are adjacent to the new Staunton Route 11 by-pass. Construction was begun on January 16, 1951, and was completed on September 12, 1952, at a cost of \$417,000 equipped. It is of modified Greek Doric design in keeping with the present buildings. The Main Building, which was completed in 1840, is an outstanding example of Greek revival architecture in America.

The walls of the Recreation Building are brick with cinder blocks. The floors, except those of maple in the gymnasium and ceramic tile in the locker rooms, showers and toilets, are asphalt tile on concrete slab and steel joists. The stairs are of steel construction with a glazed block wainscot. The slate roof is laid on a fireproof insulating plank over steel

trusses. The building is 175 ft. by 30 ft.

The main gymnasium on the first floor, 99 ft. by 72 ft., has cinder block walls painted blue-green, with a grey wainscot. Telescoping bleachers which will seat approximately 750 are mounted on the sides. The main basketball court is equipped with plate glass banks. The main floor can be divided into two auxiliary gymnasiums for the deaf boys and girls by a net and canvas partition.

A large stage at the north end of the building, 31 ft. by 53 ft. can also be used as a gymnasium for the blind girls. In addition on the first floor are lobbies, offices, public toilets, athletic equipment rooms, and a Girl Scout room.

The blind boys' wrestling and gymnastic room, 31 ft. by 78 ft. on the ground floor also has painted cinder block walls and maple flooring. In addition to this room there are locker rooms, showers and toilets for each group, boys, girls, and visiting teams. Sleeping quarters are also provided for visiting teams. A small apartment for a caretaker, consisting of a living room, bed room and bath, is located on the ground floor. There are also offices for the athletic directors.

On the second floor there are girls' and boys' recreational therapy rooms and Scout rooms. The therapy rooms are completely furnished with physical therapy equipment.

The architects for the new building were J. Binford Walford and O. Pendleton Wright. The Castle Construction Company was the builder. John T. Floyd, Business Manager of the school was coordinator and supervisor of the building program.

Thomas Carlton Lewellyn was born in Maneto, Buckingham County, Virginia, and is the son of the late Samuel and Louise Lewellyn. At a very early age he lost his hearing and on September 15, 1902, was enrolled in the Department for the Deaf, of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind. On June 12, 1912, he graduated, and very shortly thereafter accepted a position on the staff. He was appointed the first physical education director of the school





Lewellyn as a football player for the Virginia School. He made the varsity team when he was 14 years old. During his playing days, eligibility rules were not too rigid, so he played year after year, first as a student player and then as a player-coach. He was on the VSD teams until he was 26.

in 1913, a position he has held since that date.

Mr. Lewellyn is a very modest man, is married, has a very lovely wife, the former Miss Pauline Hayden, and two lovely grown daughters, Mrs. George Sumey, and Mrs. Avis Wright, both of whom reside in Staunton. His older daughter, Mrs. Sumey, has two sons, thus he is a proud grandfather. His younger daughter, Mrs. Wright, is a graduate of Mary Baldwin College and of the Normal Training Class, Gallaudet College, and is at present on the faculty of the Department for the Deaf, coming here this Fall after having taught for several years in the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind.

Lewellyn was an outstanding athlete during his school days, and even after he completed school. Back in 1918 he joined the Virginia Baseball League, Newport News, Virginia, as a pitcher and was known as "IRON MAN LEWELLYN," having on several occasions pitched "double-header" games, and won them. This later proved to be a very unwise feat, as it has been said by men who played with and against him; that in those days he was the best pitcher in the state; and was certainly major league material; and had his team's manager had any foresight he would have been sent direct to the major leagues. Due to the fact his manager allowed him

to pitch "double-headers" he developed an arm injury, and had to shift to another position.

Mr. Lewellyn's first love in sports is baseball and through the years he has turned out some excellent teams. An outstanding record was made by his teams during the period 1944 through 1947. A total of 49 baseball games were played during that time and the Lewellyn teams won 41 and lost only 8 games. The outstanding pitchers during those years were James Burnett and Jerold Grizzle as they did most of the mound work. Outstanding pitchers during recent years have been Berly Wilson and Leo Yates.

Perhaps the 1939 football team was one of the best ever coached by Mr. Lewellyn. It went through a very tough schedule that year undefeated and untied, winning all eight games. According to records it was a powerhouse and no doubt could have defeated any high school in the state that year (see picture). Two of its members were placed on the American Schools for the Deaf All-American Team. Morris Layton and William Brizendine. Brizendine, by the way, had the unusual honor of also being placed on the 1940 and 1941 All-American teams, three years in a row.

Other Lewellyn football players who have made the All-American teams are: Schede Wynn, Paul Powers, James Burnett, Clinton Prater, George Spady, Leo Yates, Berly Wilson, Ernest Prillman, and Frank Chapman.

The 1952 football team's record is excellent and has amazed everyone. Starting the 1952 football season with only two lettermen, Lewellyn built a squad that did him honor, beating such powerful teams as West Virginia, South Carolina, E. C. Glass High School, Elkton High School, and Jefferson High School, and tied with the Lane High School and with the New Jersey School. The only defeat suffered was at the hands of the powerful and excellent team from the North Carolina School for the Deaf. This game was played without the services of the first string quarterback and three first string players. The 1952 VSD football team won 6, tied 2 and lost 1.

Mr. Lewellyn has always had to work under a handicap when it came to basketball, having no real gymnasium in which to practice. Several years ago the chapel was converted into a make-shift gym, and for years the boys practiced and held their games there. At times it was difficult to schedule games because local high schools in the area did not like to play in this make-shift affair, as their players were prone to get injured in such a small place; however, even working under these handicaps, Lewellyn has turned out some fine

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This is the 1939 football team of the Virginia School for the Deaf, which was rated the best team of deaf players in the nation and also the greatest in the history of the school. These lads swept through an undefeated season, amassing 201 points to their opponents' thirty-three. Not a tie mars their record of eight straight victories, and included among their victims were several very worthy foes. They won from Lee H.S., 12 to 0; they beat Luray H.S., 12 to 2; they defeated Strasburg H.S., 39 to 6; Hot Springs H.S. was a victim, 26 to 13, and incidentally scored more points against the VSD eleven than any other opponent; they beat the West Virginia Deaf eleven, 27 to 0; they won from Appomattox H.S., 26 to 12; they overwhelmed S.M.A.'s Junior varsity, 46 to 0, and closed the season with a 13 to 0 victory over Waynesboro H.S. VSD had an exceptionally good line that year and a sparkling backfield led by Co-Captains Layton and Brightwell. Aided by Fullback Dawson and two excellent ends in Brizendine and Anderson, who with their backfield mates were fast and sure in the passing game, the VSD boys made it tough for all opponents. Layton was the star of the eleven with Dawson lending a very helpful hand. Howell, now of Winston-Salem, N.C., and associate sports editor of THE NATIONAL OBSERVER, always played a dependable, excellent game, handling the center position on the offense, and playing an end on defense. Coach Lewellyn had his 1939 team together for two or three years, and was successful in building up effective interference for his ball toters. His players also realized the true value of teamwork for victory. A hard-charging line constantly opened holes for the backs. Eleven men staged machine-like attack and defense that always meant superiority. Left to right—Front Row: Edward Howell, Charles Dawson, William Brizendine, William Brightwell, Morris Layton, Otis Snead, Frank Anderson. Middle Row: Harold Taylor, Melvin Crews, Warren Blackwell, Paul Powers, Junior Cherry, Marshall Garrette, Schede Wynn. Back Row: Coach T. Carlton Lewellyn, Harry Lee Moore, John Atwood, Harry Lee Kniceley, Leonard Conley, Assistant Coach Roy Ridings.

basketball teams; and the 1930 and the 1933 teams placed second in the Eastern Schools for the Deaf Basketball Tournament. During the year 1948-49 Lewellyn was President of the Eastern Basketball Association of Schools for the Deaf.

It was never possible for Lewellyn to plan and hold a tournament here, but he has dreamed about it for years. His dreams no doubt will come true as we now have the facilities for holding such a tournament.

It would be a most difficult matter to pick an all-time, all-star football, basketball or baseball team. Today we have offensive and defensive football players, the balk rule in baseball, and the doing away with the jump after a point is made in basketball, thus speeding up the game. Those rules along with a number of other changes make it difficult to compare players of today and yesterday.

The Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind is one of the oldest schools of

its kind in America, and it may be of interest to know a little about the history of sports in this school. T. C. Lewellyn has played an important part in the history of sports at VSDB. The writer quotes from the "History of the Education of the Deaf in Virginia," written by a deaf author, R. Aumon Bass, as follows:

During the early days before baseball, football and basketball were introduced in this school, the boys were very much interested in bicycles, horseback riding, hunting, skating, fishing, etc.

In 1883 baseball was organized by one of our graduates and teacher, John Walter Michaels (Class of 1869). (Mr. Michaels later became famous as a missionary to the deaf.) *The Goodson Gazette*, dated November 3, 1883, had this to say: "Our boys have organized a baseball club under the supervision of Mr. Michaels, one of our teachers. It is to be known as the 'Silent Baseball Club.' They have been allowed by the Principal to practice on the level ground below the garden. Whilst the game is usually attended by a few broken fingers, the exercise is fine, and is a very fitting initiation for the hard knocks of life. Mr. Michaels was very generous in taking the first 'blow' after their organization. He cannot see quite so well as before, but he *nose* a great deal more."

It is unnecessary to add that it is their expectation to be able to out-pitch, out-bat, out-catch and out-run any club in the state. The boys played baseball in the late afternoon after the classes were dismissed and on Saturdays. The games were not on regular schedule until some time after football was introduced in 1900. The football team was organized by Mr. Stephen Clarence Jones, a former graduate in the Department for the Deaf, and Mr. Charles C. McNeil, a teacher in the Department for the Blind. *The Goodson Gazette*, dated October 15, 1900, had this to say: "Our boys have ordered a full outfit of football paraphernalia and will soon be ready to consider challenges for contests on the gridiron. The first match game will probably be with Kable Military team of this city, and after that they may try to arrange games with the teams of Fishbourse Academy, Waynesboro, and Augusta Military Academy, and Fort Defiance. We have some fine material among our players."

The 1900 football team consisted of the following players: Charles McNeil, LHB; Claude A. Miller, FB; Letcher O. Simmons (Capt.), RHB; Bickerton Winston, QB; Fred Christian, LE; John Ledbetter, RE; George Wood, LT; Berlin Reedy, RT; Lester Hubbard, LG; James Spain, RG, and Gilmore Barbour, C.

The first basketball team was organized in this school in the late fall of 1921, by Mr. Oliver W. McInturff. Mr. McInturff had coached basketball teams at the West Virginia and South Carolina Schools for the Deaf. The following boys played the first basketball against the Augusta Military Academy's team: James Jones, Frank Roop, Frank Guillian, Obie Nunn, Bernard Moore, Otto Mangrum, Roy Farmer, Harold Forestal, and Silvey Jamerson. Mr. McInturff and Mr. Lewellyn were co-coaches.

This is not the first article to appear in THE SILENT WORKER about Thomas Carlton Lewellyn. Thanks to Mr. R.

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Aumon Bass, a life long friend of Lewellyn, he has given to this writer a clipping of an article published in the February 1923 issue of the *Silent Worker*, which was written by Oliver W. McInturff and edited by Frederick A. Moore. This article is quoted in part:

It was in the fall of 1912 that Thomas Carlton Lewellyn took hold of the football and baseball teams of the Virginia school. From then to the present not a season has passed but found Lewellyn's teams stirring the dust of many a preparatory and high school gridiron or diamond in the vicinity of Staunton.

Five feet nine tall, erect, and graceful, Lewellyn presents a picture of the typical athlete. Speed is written all over him. No matter what he takes up, this one quality comes out strongly in evidence. Hence his famous broken field and end runs on the gridiron and base-running on the diamond.

On the football team he plays quarterback and here he combines speed and generalship. While most of the plays are built around him, he has fast and dependable assistants in the backfield. Marshall Denby (right half), Roy Farmer (fullback) complete with Lewellyn the trio which is conceded to be the fastest backfield of any prep school in the State. Frank Mutter, who plays guard, acts very much like the famous Scott Cusaden and renders great assistance to the backs. Otto Mangrum as left end is one of the best aerial-pass receivers to be found hereabouts. (That year the team beat such powerful teams as Staunton High School, Massanutten Academy and Covington High School.)

In baseball Lewellyn was the star pitcher until a few years ago when an injury to his arm compelled him to stop and shift to other positions. But whatever positions he fills, whether catcher, shortstop, baseman, or outfielder, he plays a magnificent game. Frequently he has been called to the box and the results have been monotonous in that few men were walked and very few hits allowed. Although Lewellyn no longer pitches two consecutive games, he personifies baseball or the spirit of the game, and it is through his leadership that the team is kept going.

Thus thirty years ago *The Silent Worker* honored Lewellyn, and recognized then his great leadership with boys.

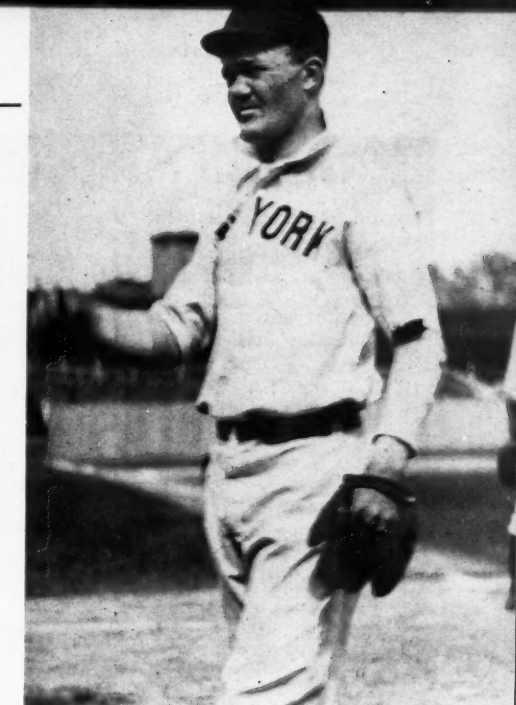
Mr. Lewellyn at all times stresses good sportsmanship and clean play and the Lewellyn influence is felt very keenly by the boys. Hundreds of young deaf boys have come under his direction, supervision and instruction, and many of his former pupils are successful business men and excellent citizens in their com-

## Luther ("Dummy") Taylor Elected to AAAD Hall of Fame

One of the nation's well known deaf sportsmen—Luther Haden Taylor, former baseball pitcher for the N. Y. Giants—was elected to the AAAD Hall of Fame; according to Chairman Alexander Fleischman.

Chosen by a vote of the 23-member AAAD Hall of Fame Election Board, he became the second athlete to be enshrined in the newly-established Hall. William E. Hoy, former deaf outfielder for the Cincinnati Reds, was the first electee named in the 1951 voting.

In the balloting to bestow honors to a deaf player, Taylor won by a landslide, having received 21 votes on the first ballot. To be elected, a candidate must receive 75%—or 15 votes—to be named. Born in Oskaloosa, Kansas, February 21, 1867, he went to Kansas School for the Deaf at Olathe, Kansas, graduating in 1895. He enjoyed 19 active seasons as a ball player in both minor and major leagues; his longest was nine years with the N. Y. Giants (1900 to 1908) and five under the famed pilot, John McGraw. His major league pitching record is as follows: 1887 innings in 272 games, winning 115 and losing 105, and allowed 854 runs on 1836 hits while striking out 854 and walking 775. He achieved highest victory total in 1904, when he won 21 and lost 15. He started his professional career with an independent club in Nevada, Mo., played for teams from Mattoon, Ill., Albany, N. Y., Cleve-



Luther Haden Taylor when he was a New York Giant star in 1902.

land, Buffalo, Montreal, Montgomery, New Orleans, Utica, Brantford, and finished his travels with Topeka. Kansas of the Western League in 1915. When his baseball days were over, he returned to Kansas School as boys' supervisor and director of athletics where he turned out powerful football and baseball teams. He stayed at Kansas till 1923 and then transferred his services to the Iowa School for the Deaf, where he remained for nine years, and then to Illinois School for the Deaf as a housefather from 1932 to 1949. He was appointed a scout for the N. Y. Giants last year.

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munities. It can also be said that his great influence is also felt by members of the school staff, as he is always willing to share his experiences and assist with any problems that arise in the school. The love and respect his former pupils have for him was shown when over 500 alumni returned for the dedication program. All in all, over 1000 people attended the program, including alumni, patrons, friends and students.

Thomas Carlton Lewellyn rightly deserves this great honor and the deaf of Virginia and the nation as a whole

should be proud. This is not only an honor for Mr. Lewellyn, but it is a great honor for the deaf. We at the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind can not only boast of having T. C. Lewellyn as a devoted and loyal servant, but also the most modern and best physical recreation building of any school for the deaf in the country. We are proud to have both, and may they serve us many, many years!

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## LeRoy Duning Heads Jubilee Committee

At the November meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club, sponsor of the 1955 Diamond Jubilee Convention of the N.A.D., LeRoy L. Duning was nominated as the choice of the Club for general chairman of the Local Committee in charge of the convention. President B. B. Burnes of the N.A.D. promptly approved the choice of the Club and in a communication dated November 28, 1952, he announced the official appointment of Duning as chairman.

In taking over as general chairman, Duning expressed the intention of carrying on the work so ably handled by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Harriet Duning, whom the N.A.D. president had appointed interim chairman in 1949. It was Mrs. Duning who conceived the idea of inviting the Diamond Jubilee convention to Cincinnati, the city in which the Association was organized in 1880. Serving in the interval between the Cleveland and the Austin conventions, she initiated a number of projects which laid a firm and solid foundation

for the success of the 1955 convention, for which she has received the thanks of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club and the officials of the N.A.D. Mrs. Duning will continue to hold a responsible post on the local committee, and the new chairman will be fortunate in having the benefit of her experience.

Born in 1911 in Richmond, Indiana, LeRoy Duning attended the Indiana School for the Deaf one year and transferred to the Ohio School when his parents moved to Cincinnati. After two years in the Ohio School, he entered the Cincinnati Oral School. Continuing his education, he studied architecture at the Ohio Mechanics Institute, where he won a number of scholarship prizes. Upon graduation, he took up further study of architecture at the University of Cincinnati, graduating in 1935.

Since his graduation, LeRoy has worked with a number of prominent architectural firms in Cincinnati and is at present employed as an architect by the Ferro Concrete Construction Company, a widely known firm.



LEROY L. DUNING

LeRoy was married in 1939 to Dorothy M. Farson of Cincinnati, a product of the Ohio School and the Cincinnati Oral School. They have two strapping sons, Billy, 9, and Johnny, 7.

LeRoy has been active in Cincinnati and Ohio deaf circles for a number of years. He has served as president of Division 10, N.F.S.D., and is now in his

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Berkeley-Oakland (Calif.) Aux-Frds	10.00	Lubbock Silent Club	10.00
Binghamton (N.Y.) Civic Assn. of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	42.50	Mascia Club (Mason City, Iowa)	15.18
The Caravan Sunday School Class of Talladega, Alabama	8.75	Merry-Go-Rounders	10.00
California Assn. of the Deaf Local Convention Committee, Oakland, '52	29.49	Miami Society of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	20.00
Cedarvale (Iowa) Club for the Deaf	23.50	Minnesota Alumni Association of Gallaudet College	10.00
Greater Cincinnati Silent Club N.A.D. Night	68.63	Missouri Association of the Deaf NAD Rally	50.75
Columbus (Indiana) Pep Club N.A.D. Night	15.50	Northwestern Ohio Association of the Deaf	20.00
Dallas Silent Club N.A.D. Night	42.00	Orange, N. J. Silent Club	10.00
District of Columbia Club of the Deaf N.A.D. Night	52.82	Oregon Assn. of the Deaf N.A.D. Night (Portland)	24.75
Fotters' Reunion (Ohio)	20.30	Silent Athletic Club of Denver N.A.D. Night	5.00
Fort Worth N.A.D. Night	30.00	South Bend N.A.D. Night	37.83
Fort Worth Silent Club	10.00	South Bend Association of the Deaf Ladies' Club	18.50
Great Falls (Montana) Silent Club	40.00	South Dakota Association of the Deaf N.A.D. Rally	38.00
Hartford (Conn.) Club of the Deaf N.A.D. Rally	50.00	St. John's School for the Deaf, Milwaukee	25.00
Holy Cross Deaf Lutheran Church (St. Louis)	5.00	Syracuse, N.Y., NAD Rally	5.05
Iowa Association of the Deaf NAD Rally	50.00	Tallahassee, Fla., Assn. of the Deaf Lodge	2.80
Jacksonville, Fla., Association of the Deaf	1.90	Toledo Deaf Motorists Club	10.00
The Laro Club	5.00	Toledo Deaf Club N.A.D. Night	89.00
Lisle Rock Association for the Deaf	8.00	Union League of the Deaf	25.00
Los Angeles Club N.A.D. Night	20.00	Wichita (Kansas) Club of the Deaf	50.00

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The LeRoy Duning Family. Left to right: Dorothy M., John L., James William, and LeRoy.

second term as treasurer. He is also serving his second term as president of the Ohio Deaf Motorists Association. He is planning to withdraw from official activities in other organizations, that he may devote his time to plans for the 1955 convention.

N.A.D. members who attended the 1952 convention will remember LeRoy for his monologue at the Rally which described the trials and tribulations he experienced while subject to the military draft. LeRoy has been drafted for bigger service now, and those who know him say the Army's loss is the N.A.D.'s gain.

Fully aware of the amount of tedious work and worry that lies ahead, LeRoy Duning has pledged that, with the cooperation of the deaf of Cincinnati and the officials of the N.A.D., he will make the convention one to be remembered.

—RAY GRAYSON.

### Report From the Director of the Home Office Fund Campaign:

As of November 20th, the standings were:

2566 LIFE MEMBERS  
\$35,193.42—NET BALANCE  
10,958.00—IN PLEDGES  
3,520.00—IN L.M. PLEDGES

\$49,671.42—TOTALS

Some of you may have been puzzled over the entries of the Jacksonville (Florida) Ass'n of the Deaf (\$1.90) and the Tallahassee, Florida Ass'n of the Deaf (\$2.80) in the December list of Contributors. I have a letter from one of the officers of the Florida Association of the Deaf which will explain how these contributions came about. . . .

"Our club (Jacksonville Ass'n of the Deaf) has a membership of 35—this is last month's count. Our month-

ly dues are 50 cents per member. At one of our monthly meetings a member had an idea. Realizing that the deaf should be more active in supporting their state and national associations, he suggested that we do something about it. A motion was made and passed that the membership dues be raised to 60 cents. The increased 10 cents are split two ways—half going to the Florida Ass'n of the Deaf and the other half to the NAD. The treasurer of our club after deducting the usual membership fees sends the increased amount to the FAD treasurer who in turn forwards to the NAD the balance after he deducts the FAD's share. It is a small amount to start with, to be sure, but we have hopes of being able to increase it again in the near future.

The Northern California Clubs of the Deaf sponsored a NAD Rally on November 8th in Oakland—chairmanned by Mrs. Caroline Burnes. A total of \$1,070.61 was raised (before expenses).

Here's to a VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR for you and the NAD.

—LARRY N. YOLLES

### Correction

In the previous issue it was pointed out that all \$10.00 life membership pledges made in 1950, 1951, and 1952 must be paid in full on or before December 31, 1952, or the pledge would be considered at the new fee of \$15.00. This should have read, "ALL \$10.00 LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLEDGES MADE IN 1950 AND 1951 AT THE \$10.00 RATE MUST BE PAID IN FULL ON OR BEFORE DEC. 31, 1952, OR THE PLEDGES WILL BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEW RATE. PLEDGES MADE IN 1952 MUST BE PAID IN FULL WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE THEY WERE MADE."

### Contributors During the Month of November, 1952

October 21 — November 20

Sobek Adamiec, \$5 in addition to \$110 previously contributed.  
Dr. and Mrs. Tom L. Anderson, \$10; 70th Birthday Tribute to Marcus L. Kenner. Berkeley-Oakland (Calif.) Aux-Frats, \$10.  
Calif. Assn. of the Deaf Local Convention Committee (Oakland, '52), \$29.49.  
Miss Josephine DePew, \$10.  
A. M. Febles, \$1 in addition to \$120 previously contributed.  
Bud W. Frey, \$1.  
Mrs. Agatha T. Hanson, \$5.  
Miss Marian Jamieson, \$5.  
Mr. and Mrs. Myron A. Leenhouts, \$10 Pledge.  
Little Rock Assn. of the Deaf, \$5 in addition to \$3 previously contributed.  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Miller and Family, \$5 in Memory of their Uncle, Max Teweles, who passed away October 1, 1952.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Naftaly, \$25 on \$100 Pledge.  
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Nesgood, \$5 in addition to \$120 previously contributed; dedicated to the Memory of their Dear Friend, Otto W. Lorenz, who passed away May 4, 1952.  
Northern California Clubs of the Deaf NAD Rally, \$222.53, in addition to \$385.83 previously contributed.  
A. J. O'Farrell, \$10.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Simpson, \$5 on \$100 Pledge.  
Students, Calif. School for Deaf (Berkeley), \$22.55 in addition to \$157.17 previously contributed.  
Wichita (Kansas) Club of the Deaf, \$50.  
Arthur B. Willis, \$2.  
Mrs. Josephine Wingler, \$1 in addition to \$1 previously contributed.  
Friends, \$14; 40th Birthday Tribute to Larry N. Yolles.

### Vital Statistics

#### BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Gamblin, Amarillo, Texas, Sept. 19, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nelson, Rockford, Ill., Sept. 19, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Christianson, Eau Claire, Wis., Sept. 21, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Calton James, Eldridge, Calif., Sept. 23, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bienvu, Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 24, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 26, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Earle Chainey, Columbia, S. C., Sept. 27, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Kuglitsch, Delavan, Wis., Sept. 28, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Ramella, Broomfield, Conn., Oct. 1, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Spradlin, Toledo, Ohio, Oct. 2, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sherred Adams, Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 3, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Bailey, Long Beach, Calif., Oct. 7, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis, Wilmington, Calif., Oct. 7, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. William Scholl, Louisville, Ky., Oct. 10, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Garretson, Great Falls, Mont., Oct. 10, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Montegut, La Place, La., Oct. 13, a girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cafferty, Hastings, Neb., Oct. 14, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Luther Kidd, Danville, Ky., Oct. 15, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Mouton, Honolulu, T. H., Oct. 17, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ruwet, Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 17, a girl.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Skalicky, Portland, Ore., Oct. 18, a girl.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Meyer, Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 20, a boy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Leonard, Cambridge, Md., Oct. 20, a boy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Alvin O'Connor, Blaine, Kansas, Oct. 22, a girl.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson, N. Redondo Beach, Calif., Oct. 31, a girl.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward Santillanes, Woodland Hills, Calif., Nov. 9, a boy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. White, Waco, Texas, Nov. 20, a girl.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Kleberg, Frederick, Md., Nov. 30, a boy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John Barlow, Richmond, Calif., Dec. 19, a girl.

#### MARRIAGES:

Cyril Popelka and Miss Evelyn Huncha, Glencoe, Minn., Sept. 6.  
 Arthur Taber, Far Rockaway, L. I., and Mrs. Jennie Fall, Corona, L. I., Sept. 18.  
 John Siverson and Miss Mary E. Whitlow, Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 19.  
 Loren Campbell and Barbara Williams, Loudonville, Ohio, Sept. 21.  
 Richard Stifter and Miss Jane DeCurtins, Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 27.  
 John Naleski, Worcester, Mass., and Rosemary DeRoche, Woonsocket, R. I., Oct. 11.  
 Franklin Tippet and Miss Bonnie Nash, Port Arthur, Texas, Oct. 17.  
 Flavious Taylor and Jo Ann Kasper, Louisville, Ky., Oct. 25.  
 Ronald G. Taylor and Miss Doris M. Olson, Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 1.  
 Gilbert Escobedo, Laredo, Tex., and Miss Olga Barrera, Alice, Tex., Nov. 9.  
 Dwight Worthington and Miss Rose Todd, Klamath Falls, Ore., Nov. 13.  
 Richard Niven and Pauline Hahn, Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 19.  
 James McKee, San Jose, Calif., and Miss Lois A. Long, Houston, Tex., Nov. 23.  
 Frank Sladek, Tucson, Ariz., and Miss Beverly Katz, Santa Ana, Calif., Nov. 23.  
 Billy Collins and Miss Mary Ann Pekar, Austin, Tex., Nov. 27.  
 Francis Kuntze, Sacramento, Calif., and Miss Marion Bjorge, Berkeley, Calif., Dec. 19.

#### DEATHS:

John Holub, 75, West Allis, Wis., Sept. 17.  
 Mrs. Fred Harrison, Hartford, Conn., Sept. 18.  
 Thomas J. Prinn, 81, Portland, Ore., Sept. 23.  
 Rex L. Oliver, Everett, Wash., Sept. 27.  
 Mrs. Alice Mae Jones, 54, Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 27.  
 Edward L. Roach, 81, Wichita, Kansas, Sept. 29.  
 William F. Schilling, San Francisco, Calif., Sept. 29.  
 Henry Meerkens, 80, Lake City, Minn., Sept. 30.  
 Mr. and Mrs. David C. Reddick and Mrs. Kathryn Sprouse, all of Los Angeles, Calif. Killed in auto crash near El Paso, Texas, Oct. 2.  
 Alex Luchko, Jr., 28, Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 4.  
 James A. Darby, 78, Fulton, N. Y., Oct. 6.  
 Harry B. Mordan, 69, Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 6.  
 Rexford Dubey, 64, Albert Lea, Minn., Oct. 10. Struck by train.  
 James Conway, 82, Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 11.  
 George Revak, St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 12.  
 Ralph O. Brewer, Sr., 58, Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 13.  
 Miss Margaret Watson, 76, Lake City, Minn., Oct. 16.  
 Joseph F. Graham, New York, N. Y., Oct. 17.  
 Mrs. Lulu Eggleston Lee, Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 26.  
 Mrs. Fairy Hecox, Baytown, Texas, Nov. 1.  
 G. E. Rhodes, 64, Walhalla, S. C., Nov. 11.

## Letters...

*(The editors regret that, probably due to the rush of Christmas mail or some other mixup, the material for THE ANSWER BOX did not arrive in time for publication on this page. We hope next month to have this interesting department back in its regular place.)*

#### Editor:

We have been noticing a street named "Asylum Avenue" still in existence in Hartford, Conn. We deaf law-abiding citizens always resent such a name whenever we are in that city, and wonder why the intelligent deaf citizens of Hartford let it continue without a complaint. I would like to see printed below a suggestion I had printed in the old *Deaf Mute's Journal* in 1917:

In Mr. Durian's list of hotels of Hartford, Conn., in your paper, we notice that several hotels are situated on Asylum Ave. If that avenue has been so named because of the location of the Hartford School (formerly called the American "Asylum") for the Deaf thereon, here is a suggestion to the deaf leaders of that city:

"In honor of our first American benefactor, Rev. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, why not make an effort to get the name of that avenue changed to 'Gallaudet Avenue'? We have no doubt that the change of name will meet the approval of thousands of people in Hartford, especially of the property owners on that avenue, who would doubtless prefer a more euphonious name. The Common Council of that city might be glad to make the change in honor of the founder of the first American School for the Deaf, and also the great and noble work of the Gallaudets.

The word 'Asylum' in any connection with the education of the deaf is objectionable... Let us unite to suppress the word, as far as the deaf are concerned."

The name "Asylum Avenue" should have been knocked out a long time ago. Instead, the street should have been named "Gallaudet," in honor of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, who founded the first American School for the Deaf in Hartford in 1817.

Incidentally, the N.A.D. convention was held in Hartford in June, 1917, with President J. C. Howard of Minnesota presiding, in honor of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first school there. The N.A.D. members, numbering more than 2000 from all over America and some from Europe, voted unanimously (all rising) in favor of the change. The writer of the above suggestion was present.

RICHARD McCABE,  
 Utica, New York.

#### Editor:

May I offer an apology for failing to answer sooner the charge in "Ken's Korner" of the May issue of the SW about too many products of Gallaudet College remaining aloof from participation in the NAD activities (or others). Well, matrimony deterred my intention in this direction.

I applaud Mr. Marcus Kenner's frankness in saying aloud that he wishes that he were a Gallaudet graduate. Unfortunately, it is not so with many other non-Gallaudetians. In their "blind ignorance," they criticize or refuse to cooperate with Gallaudetians. This partly accounts for their withdrawal from activities in clubs or others. Some or many of the Gallaudetians are working persons, having little time for participation. Others, who are teachers, don't do so lest they incur the wrath of the superintendents — sometimes to the extent of loss of their jobs.

It is noted that 4 or more recent Gallaudet graduates are members of the Century Club of the NAD, and also the 1952 graduating class of the college follows suit — the young element in a word. Gallaudetians have taken, take, and will take the biggest share of work in the ranks of NAD as evidenced by history...

EMANUEL GOLDEN, New York

*(Subscriber Golden's letter brings up the age-old controversy between the college graduates and those who are not. We believe the fact of the matter is that you will find collegians and non-collegians working for the NAD in about equal numbers, but not enough of either.—Ed.)*

#### An Open Letter to:

Mrs. T. S. Williams of Evanston, Ill., Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner of New York, N. Y., Mahlon E. Hoag of Endicott, N. Y., James Quinn, Jr., Austin, Texas, Lawrence Newman of Rome, N. Y., and others: I wish to thank you all very much for helping me sell at the Austin convention 66 subscriptions, advertising space, and single copies of THE SILENT WORKER, which resulted in total receipts of \$269.50.

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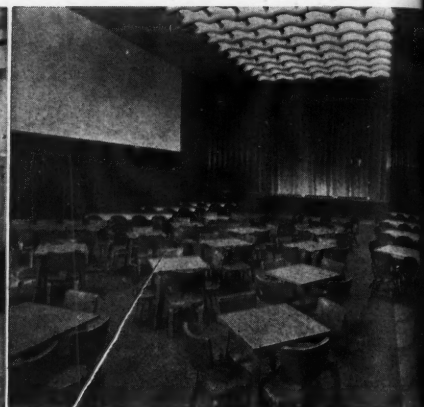
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9:00 A.M.—AAAD Meeting of Officers and Delegates at Milwaukee Silent Club

11:30 A.M.—Tour of Breweries—Free Beer and Lunch

1:30 P.M.—AAAD Meeting Reconvenes

5:30 P.M.—First Session of Tournament—Four Games

### SATURDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 A.M.—Second Session of Tournament—Three Games

11:30 A.M.—Lunch in Pius XI Cafeteria downstairs

1:30 P.M.—Semi-Finals—Two Games

4:00 P.M.—Intermission

5-7 P.M.—Dinner in Pius XI Cafeteria

7:00 P.M.—Finals—Two Games

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